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THE EDITOR'S CORNER

ON Page 14 of this issue there appears a two-column box under the heading, "THE CHURCH NEWS HONOR ROLL," which contains the names of seventy-two parishes and missions that have co-operated with us in our effort to make the circulation of The Church News more nearly representative of the Diocese . . . There are other names and figures still to be added . . . Those additions will be made next month, when we also purpose to publish the circulation records of all the other parishes and missions in the Diocese . . . There is too large a number which have no subscribers at all, and almost an equal number which have no more than one or two . . . The highest number on that list is 24, feebly representing a parish of nearly 1000 active communicants . . .

When we began our campaign we set as our ultimate goal 10,000 subscribers . . . That is not too high for a diocese of nearly 77,000 communicants when a mid-West diocese with half that communicant strength gives its publication more than 10,000 circulation . . .

We have proved pretty conclusively that the personal canvass is the best method . . . In every case the number of subscriptions represents a fairly constant ratio to the number of names given to us for canvassing . . . Edward J. McGowan, field manager of the campaign, consistently reports a large percentage of those actually called upon as eager to subscribe . . . Who has a right to deny them the opportunity . . .

A number of parishes not yet on the roll have promised to co-operate, either with lists of prospective subscribers or some other form of co-operation better suited to their particular charges . . . We have nearly 5000 now . . . Let's make it 10,000 . . .

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Facing the harbor of Rio de Janeiro and the warring nations beyond, the gigantic flood-lighted figure of Christ on Corcovado seems to have a special significance now.

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OBJECT 1. To promote Unity of Diocesan Life by disseminating news of the Diocese, its institutions, parishes and missions, and by printing letters and pastorals by the Bishop from time to time. 2. To promote the Missionary and Benevolent Work of the Diocese by publishing reports and appeals, and by recording current news and events.

Bishop P. M. Rhineland

**Former Head of This Diocese Dies
at Summer Home in Gloucester,
Mass.; Mourned by Whole Church**



**RT. REV. PHILIP
M. RHINELANDER**

HUNDREDS of friends in the Diocese of Pennsylvania and throughout the Church were shocked and saddened on September 21 by news of the death of the Rt. Rev. Philip Mercer Rhineland, who was Bishop of Pennsylvania from 1911 to 1923. Death came after a long illness at his Summer home in Gloucester, Mass. He was in his seventy-first year.

Bishop Rhineland had been critically ill for two weeks, but he had been in failing health since 1921.

A native of Newport, R. I., Bishop Rhineland attended St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H., and was graduated from Harvard in 1891. He entered the Honor School of Theology, Oxford University, where he came under the influence and tutelage of some of the most distinguished educators of the Church of England, among whom were Dr. Bright, Dean Strong and Canon Moberly. In 1896 he received his baccalaureate degree from Oxford and four years later his master's degree.

In 1912 Episcopal Theological Seminary, where he was professor of history of religion and missions from 1907 until he came here in 1911, conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. In the same year he received degrees of Doctor of Canon Law from Philadelphia Divinity School; Doctor of Laws; University of Pennsylvania, and Doctor of Sacred Theology, Columbia University. In 1913 Berkeley Divinity School, where he had been professor of ecclesiastical history, homiletics, pastoral theology and Christian evidences from 1903 to 1907, gave him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

From 1896, when he became a deacon, to 1903 he served in the churches of St. Alban, St. Mark and the Good Shepherd in Washington, D. C.

On February 9, 1911, Bishop Ozi W. Whitaker died, and Bishop Coadjutor Mackay-Smith succeeded to the diocesan jurisdiction. The 42-year-old seminary professor was elected Bishop

Coadjutor and was consecrated, together with Bishop Suffragan Thomas J. Garland, on October 28, 1911, in the Church of the Advocate, 18th and Diamond Streets. Less than three weeks later Bishop Mackay-Smith died—November 16, 1911—and he became Bishop of the Diocese.

Although his election was regarded as a victory for the "high church" group, Bishop Rhineland soon established himself as one of the strongest and most authoritative administrators in the history of the Diocese.

He revived the cathedral idea, and it was as a result of his initiative, following a bequest from the wife of Senator Watson for the erection of a church in South Philadelphia as a memorial to her mother, that the former Church of the Ascension, Broad and South Streets, was turned over to the Diocese and made the Pro-Cathedral of St. Mary.

He proposed to build a cathedral on the Parkway, but the plan never came to fruition. It fell to the lot of his successor, Bishop Garland, to see under way plans for the cathedral now under construction in Upper Roxborough.

Many other important works were initiated here by Bishop Rhineland. Probably one of greatest importance was the creation of the Executive Council and the present business set-up of the Diocese. The Canon providing for the election of an Executive Council was acted upon at the 135th Diocesan Convention in May, 1919, and the body came into being.

THE CHURCH NEWS was begun by Bishop Rhineland in 1912 for the purpose of promoting unity of diocesan life and the missionary and benevolent work of the Diocese.

The splendid missionary work among the foreign born population living within the boundaries of the Diocese is another example of the enterprise of this outstanding leader, who has been called by his contemporaries an "intellectual giant" whose "greatness

would have shone in any field he might have entered."

In 1922 he took a three-month leave and went to California to regain his health and build up his strength. Not long after his return he found that he had not recovered sufficiently to carry on with undiminished energy the affairs of his office, and he resigned his jurisdiction May 1, 1923.

In his last message to the Diocese, delivered in Holy Trinity Church on November 12, 1923, he said:

"Hold to the historic faith which has made the Church triumph in the past. Trust not to incompetent leaders. Fix your goal and be true to the tradition of the Church. Dare to be conservative; dare to hold fast whatever of the past years you have of faith, wisdom, courage, chivalry, honor."

He went to Washington in 1924 and became warden of the College of Preachers. Two years ago he retired and became warden emeritus.

Bishop Rhineland's reputation as a scholar was well deserved. In his busy pastoral life he found time to write a number of scholarly books. Among his writings are *The Things Most Surely Believed Among Us*; *The Gospel of the Kingdom*; *Religion in War Time*; *The Faith of the Cross*; *Think Out Your Faith*.

He married Miss Helen M. Hamilton, a descendant of Alexander Hamilton, first Secretary of the Treasury, on May 9, 1905. She survives him with their three sons, Frederic William, Philip Hamilton and Laurens Hamilton Rhineland.

Funeral services were held in St. John's Church, Gloucester, on Saturday, September 23, and burial took place at Newport, R. I., the following day. The only person from this Diocese who attended the services was Spencer Ervin, vice-president of the Executive Council.

Executive Secretary's Page

WE are Christian people. We believe in Jesus and in His teachings. More than ever should we be convinced that only through those lives unselfishly patterned after His shall peace and security rest upon this earth. I think we would all agree that Jesus never meant His followers merely to say that they believed in Him as the Saviour of the world, as a Redeemer of all mankind everywhere on the face of the whole earth, and then do nothing about it. Surely He expected that when men affirmed their belief in Him they would do something about it. He meant that men should pattern their lives after His life, and then having done this, they should go before other men telling about Him and His teachings. I think we will all agree that there are very few of us who do this as individuals, but rather expect it to be done by that collective body known as His Church. We know that this sounds paradoxical, but it is none the less true.

Now, the crisis in the world today is not merely the result of conflict between the interests of nations. We are involved in a war between the forces of GOD on the one hand and the forces of evil on the other. It is a war that is being fought within every nation, and its gravity exceeds in scope that of any struggle in history.

That is the world in which the Church is living today. The crisis goes far deeper than a political, social or economic problem. It affects the inward root of life itself. Sanity will return to the world only when the voice of God becomes the voice of the world, because it is when men lose touch with God that they succumb to greed, hate, violence and war. The state of the world needs people whose lives demonstrate the truth of the Christian Message. Herein lies the challenge for us—for we need Christian lives bearing witness to GOD'S truth here in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, here in the State of Pennsylvania, here in the United States of America, and here in every part of the world.

And that is what the Every Member Canvass means to me. It means that men and women who are keeping their faith in Jesus are going out to win others to that faith, and in winning them to secure their time and energy and money for the express purpose of bearing witness to Him before every man. The Every Member Canvass means exactly that. It means that every parish chairman has no responsibility more pressing than to use this whole month of October in thoroughly preparing himself and his canvassers for this intelligent witnessing of Christ before the men and women of the parish. We are confident that it will be done.



We are not merely making ballyhoo about the Every Member Canvass. We know that a lot of fine work is being done. At the present moment 140 parishes have chairmen actively at work, and 103 of them have vice-chairmen assisting. Those chairmen who were appointed since the dinner meeting at Stouffer's will receive the new Diocesan Field Department Hand Book almost as soon as they read this paragraph. If it hasn't been received will the non-recipient please telephone this office for one.

Our congratulations to the Woman's Auxiliary for their success in securing Bishop Oldham, of Albany, as the speaker at their Educational Conference dinner on October 30. Bishop Oldham unquestionably is one of the greatest speakers in our Church.



Our Speaker's Bureau is getting under way. We shall have the following speakers in the Diocese on the dates after their names:

Rev. Franklin T. Osborn, of Southern Brazil, October 1 to 10, inclusive.

Rev. E. H. Forster, of Shanghai, October 1 to 6, inclusive.

Rev. Cyril E. Bentley, October 4, to address Committee on Colored Missions of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Rev. Robert H. Thomas, of Waynesboro, Pa., October 11, to address the Domestic Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary on Mountain Work.

Some of them have open engagements, and are available by telephone to this office.



Last year when the Bishop and the Executive Council went into the December meeting, our Treasurer's report showed that we would have to collect over \$100,000 if our books were to balance at the end of the year. And this experience is repeated practically every year. It puts a heavy strain upon the Bishop and the members of the Council, and certainly the same strain and anxiety must be experienced by the individual vestries and treasurers of the parishes and missions. The report of the Treasurer for the current month shows that we are once more commencing the same old parade. On August 20, when the books were closed, we were free from any overdraft. On the contrary we had a cash balance of over \$4000. On September 20, we had an overdraft of \$12,064.98. It is interesting to look at the following table of receipts:

June	\$15,800	August	\$7,000
July	21,300	September	8,300

Suppose now that each parish and mission would start early in October and persuade its people to regularize their payments to the parish and to the Diocese. What a different atmosphere in vestry meetings, and what a different atmosphere in the Executive Council meetings! It would be as though one were in heaven. Of course, it would mean work. But I can promise you that once a vestry and treasurer have gone through the pleasant experience of paid-up pledges and bills for the last three months of the year, they will never again willingly slacken their efforts to secure the money due. And now, in passing, there was due the Diocese on September 20 on Expectations \$183,826.57, and of this amount \$151,635.98 was paid. A fine showing, and only about \$30,000 needed—but what a difference that makes.



All parish Chairmen of the Every Member Canvass are urged to send in the names of their canvassers, and to remind all canvassers of the meetings in Holy Trinity Church on October 16, 23 and 30. The meetings will be held at 8 P. M. They are important.

FREDERICK P. HOUGHTON.

The Church And the Jews

**Little Known but Priceless Work
Among the Race That Gave Christ
to the World Is Carried on Here**

"The Gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

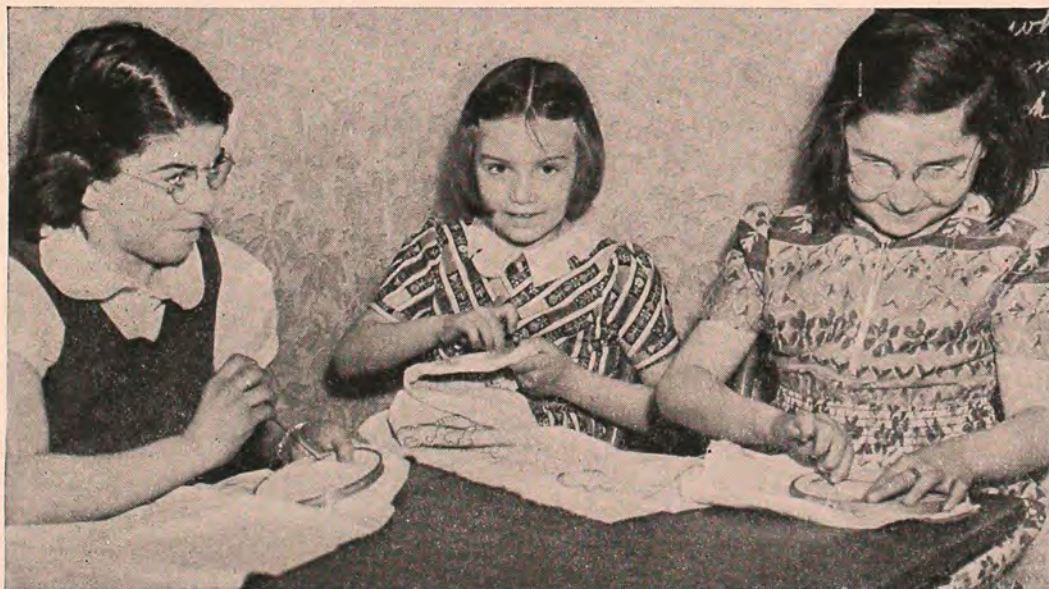
THOUSANDS of Christians traveling up North Fifth Street, Philadelphia, every day pass a little triangular park just below Spring Garden Street. A few may notice a dingy, odd-looking, ecclesiastical structure just beyond. But not one in a hundred ever guesses that within that building goes on one of the most thrilling missionary efforts of the Christian Church.

The odd-looking, colorless building is the Hebrew Christian Synagogue, center of the Church's work among the Jews in this Diocese.

It isn't new, this work among the Jews. It goes back at least to the days of the first World War, when Bishop Garland wrote to the clergy and congregations of the Diocese: "The Jew can be and is being won to Christ. To win the Jew means to win the world. There is need for a host of helpers. It is not impossible to convert the Jew; on the contrary, no Mission Work has been richer in return. *Never in the history of the world has there been such an opportunity as now.*"

That was more than twenty-two years ago, and it is truer today than it was then—truer than it has ever been. For never before has the Jew been more harassed or persecuted. Never has he needed more the assurance that comes with knowledge of Jesus' love, which can be made known to him only by today's Christians.

The work among the Jews here was begun in the parish house of St. John the Evangelist, Third and Reed Streets, under the name "Hear O Israel Mission," early in 1917



Noonday embroidery class at the Hebrew Christian Synagogue is sure to find Goldie Lynch, 12; Lillian Sadek, 7, and Charlotte Leever, 8, present and accounted for. Blue-eyed Lillian has adopted two colored children to whom she teaches hymns Church News Photo



This young man, who has given up his home and his parents rather than return to the Jewish faith from his new-found belief in Christ's teachings, points out on a map of the Holy Land the locale of a story about Jesus. This is a boys' Bible class Church News Photo

with the Rev. John L. Zacker, a Hebrew Christian, and his wife, a Gentile, in charge.

The Hebrew Christian Synagogue at 517 York Avenue, former rectory of the old Church of the Advent, where Phillips Brooks once was rector, was not opened until five years later. Miss Mary Ormsby became the worker in charge in June, 1923, under the supervision of the late Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, D.D., then chairman of the Diocesan Commission on Work Among the Jews. About eight years ago the Rev. C. Herbert Reese, rector of St. Matthew's, Francisville, was appointed as Dr. Caley's successor. The Rev. John L. Saunders, rector of St. Jude and the Nativity, is curate at the synagogue.

It was from Miss Ormsby that we learned of the eagerness with which the Jewish people embrace the Christian faith, once they have heard the Gospel story. Sacrifices almost unbelievable in this day and age are made unquestioningly by Jewish converts rather than give up their new-found joy.

In addition to her schedule of "parish" visits, Miss Ormsby conducts Wednesday evening Bible classes for older boys; daily classes for younger children, both boys and girls, which include sewing and craftsmanship in addition to religious instruction; and a Friday evening Bible class for men.

The writer visited the Synagogue on two occasions, once at midday, to see the younger children at work, and on a Wednesday evening when a boys' Bible class was in session. On the latter occasion Miss Ormsby told us something of the young man who was teaching the class. His case typifies the sacrificial quality of the faith and devotion of the

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THE 150th birthday of the American Book of Common Prayer occurs on October 16. It has a peculiar significance in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, because Philadelphia is its birthplace. The Presiding Bishop has asked that the anniversary be observed throughout the Church with appropriate services on Sunday, October 15.

Prior to the Revolutionary War the English Prayer Book was in use in all of our churches in the Colonies. But the birth of the new nation made it necessary to incorporate some significant changes in the book.

It was at a convention at Christ Church, September 27 to October 7, 1785, that a draft of the proposed American Prayer Book was introduced by Dr. William White, rector of Christ Church and of St. Peter's, and later first Bishop of Pennsylvania; Dr. William Smith, of Maryland, and Dr. C. H. Wharton, of Delaware. Delegations of clergy and laymen from New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and South Carolina were present.

Four years later the American Prayer Book was adopted by the third General Convention of the Episcopal Church in the United States, which met in Philadelphia October 16, 1789, with sessions in Christ Church and Independence Hall, then known as the State House. Its adoption followed closely in the wake of historical events which are commemorated much more frequently than "The Great Book." Less than fifty delegates, including only two bishops—Bishop White, who had been consecrated two years before, and Bishop Seabury, first member of the American Episcopate. Illness prevented the attendance of Bishop Samuel Provost, of New York, who was consecrated in London with Bishop White.

Most important changes in the Prayer Book at that time were in the State prayer, with petitions for the President, Governors, and "all others in authority" substituted for the prayers for King George III and the royal family, and the adoption of the Prayer of Consecration from the Scottish service of the Holy Communion in place of that in the English Prayer Book. Other changes included the Summary of the Law and the Marriage Service.

Among the most cherished possessions of Christ Church and St. Peter's Church are copies of the old English

Prayer Book with deletions and changes in Bishop White's own handwriting. These will be on display at the anniversary services in both churches.

In the matter of doctrine there was virtually no change from the English Prayer Book, first published in 1549 after the Church in England had repudiated the Papal jurisdiction and acknowledged the authority of King Henry VIII.

The original English Prayer Book was based on five books. These were the Missal, or book of the Mass; the Breviary, daily offices compressed into English matins and evensong; the Manual, a collection of offices for the use of the parish priest—baptism, marriage, burial, etc.; the Pontifical, those services in which a Bishop officiated, and the Processional, which contained the Litanies.

The first edition of the American Prayer Book was ordered used in all Episcopal Churches by October 1, 1790, and it served the Church for more than a century. The second edition, containing the first revision, was adopted in 1892, the late J. P. Morgan, New York banker, providing for the printing of the Standard Book. The present J. P. Morgan provided for the printing of the third edition of the Standard Book, adopted in 1938. All three editions are regarded as models of the printer's art.

No stauncher champion of the Book of Common Prayer than our own beloved Bishop may be found. When a movement began some years ago to replace the book on "high church" altars with the "American Missal," he vigorously and outspokenly opposed it. In his first address as diocesan at the Convention in May, 1931, he said:

Prayer Book 150 Years Old

Anniversary of First American Edition, Adopted Here in 1789, Will Be Celebrated on October 15

"The priest or people may introduce their private devotions inaudibly. They may also use such manual acts as they see fit, but the book upon the altar from which the service is read must be the authorized form for the administration of the sacrament.

"... If by any means this 'American Missal' may have been inadvertently introduced, it will be removed from the altar. The priests of the Diocese, I know, are loyal to their Church."

At the request of the Presiding Bishop the Rev. Phillips E. Osgood, D.D., former vicar of the Chapel of the Mediator, has written a historical play, "The Great Book," a "symbolic office," depicting the part played by Hebrews, Greeks, Latins, Englishmen and Americans in making the Book of Common Prayer. Some parishes in this Diocese have signified their intention to present the drama as part of their observance of the anniversary on October 15.

The following have indicated special plans for the observance:

ADVENT MISSION, HATBORO—Combined celebration of Prayer Book anniversary and beginning of the mission's 50th anniversary year.

CALVARY, NORTHERN LIBERTIES—Sermon: "The Faith Once for All Delivered to the Saints (the Catholic religion) as Contained in the Book of Common Prayer, and the Source Thereof."

CHRIST, PHILADELPHIA—Special service at 11 A. M.; observance by the Church School; all historic prayer books possessed by the parish on display in a case in the Tower Room.

CHRIST, POTTSTOWN—Series of sermons, entitled "Our Prayer Book, the Text Book of Christian Higher Education," begun on September 3, continues until Advent, commemorating the anniversary.

CLERICAL BROTHERHOOD—Observance planned for October 16 meeting.

DIOCESAN NORMAL SCHOOL—Beginning October 10, the Rev. E. Frank Salmon, D. D., will teach a course on the Book of Common Prayer at 5:45 P. M. The course will continue on successive Tuesdays for five weeks.

HOLY TRINITY, LANSDALE—Special sermon at 11 A. M.

REDEEMER, ANDALUSIA—Sermon and special music at morning service.



Interior of old Christ Church, where the deputies met in General Convention to ratify the first American Book of Common Prayer 150 years ago, just as it is today.

ST. BARNABAS, HADDINGTON—Prayer Book observance combined with celebration of completion of his fifth year as rector by Rev. Charles H. Urban.

ST. GEORGE, ARDMORE—Thanksgiving at early celebration of Holy Communion and presentation of drama, "The Great Book," at Morning Prayer.

ST. GEORGE, RICHMOND—Special sermon.

ST. JAMES, LANGHORNE—Sermon and Thanksgiving Service; Church School studying Prayer Book with special emphasis on anniversary.

ST. JAMES THE LESS—Thanksgiving and sermon.

ST. JAMES, PROSPECT PARK—Special service and sermon at 11 A. M.

ST. JOHN FREE—Drama of the Prayer Book at 11 A. M.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, LANSDOWNE—Appropriate services and sermon.

ST. LUKE, CHESTER, and ST. LUKE'S MISSION, EDDYSTONE—Sermon at each church in the morning; pageant in the evening at St. Luke's, Chester, for both congregations.

ST. LUKE, NEWTOWN—Annual patronal day celebration on October 18 built around the Prayer Book anniversary; a parish get-together; Mass in the morning, evensong at night, followed by dinner at which complete reports on all parish activities will be given by heads of various organizations.

ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS—Observance at 11 A. M. with address on history of the Book of Common Prayer by the Rev. Leicester C. Lewis, Ph.D.

ST. MARY, HAMILTON VILLAGE—Thanksgiving, appropriate sermon and special attention to the anniversary in the parish leaflet.

ST. PETER'S, PHILADELPHIA—Appropriate services and display of Bishop White's Prayer Book and Vinegar Bible.

ST. THOMAS, WHITEMARSH—Special attention to the anniversary in the Rector's Letter in St. Thomas' Messenger.

Prayer Book Anniversary Featured in Study Course

Especial reference to the 150th anniversary of the American Book of Common Prayer is contained in the latest edition of "*The Book of Common Prayer*," a series of Church School lessons written by the Rev. Lewis Sasse, II, rector of St. Luke's Church, Newtown. It contains a preface by Bishop Taitt and a complete history of the formation and use of the various offices and sacraments, in a small compass, to date.

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THE
EVERY MEMBER
CANVASS
NOVEMBER 5-26**

ST. MARGARET'S GROUP SETTLED IN NEW HOME

The arrival of October 1 was marked by the opening of St. Margaret's House, on the grounds of St. Luke's Church, Germantown Avenue and Coulter Streets, as a retreat house under the supervision of the Sisters of St. Margaret, who are now in residence.

The house, which for a long time had been used as a hospice for young men, affords accommodations for about twenty overnight guests. The clergy of the Diocese are invited to arrange for retreats for Church School teachers and leaders, members of the Woman's Auxiliary, Girls' Friendly Society, Altar Guilds, mission study groups, professional and business women and others. The retreats may be for one or two days, a half day, or for late afternoon and evening, as best meets the needs of the particular group.

Apart from retreats, provision also may be made for those who would like to spend a few days in a quiet place for spiritual refreshment, or to receive instruction in preparation for confirmation or any of the sacraments.

Arrangements for retreats should be made as far in advance as possible by writing or telephoning the Sister-in-Charge for details. The telephone number is VICTOR 4612.

The Sisters now in residence in St. Margaret's House are Sister Eleanora, in charge; Sister Mary Theodora, assigned to St. Luke's parish work; Sister Leila, who is working at St. Mark's Church, and Sister Mary Martha, at St. Mary's Chapel.

The schedule of activities already arranged follows:

October 4—Open House for Associates of Sisters of St. Margaret, with address by the Rev. Leicester C. Lewis, Ph.D.

October 6—Quiet Day for Mothers' Union. The Rev. Edmund B. Wood, conductor.

October 16—Quiet Day for women of St. Luke's, Germantown, in preparation for St. Luke's Day, October 18.

October 23—Open House for St. Luke's Branch, G. F. S.

Among the groups planning retreats for November are St. Ursula's Guild for Nurses, the Woman's Auxiliary and the Church School teachers of St. Luke's parish.

HAPPY RETURNS

The Rev. Clarence E. Ball, assisting chaplain at St. Mary's Chapel, Pennsylvania Cathedral, Roxborough, celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday on St. Matthew's Day, Thursday, September 21. Fr. Ball has been fifty-three years in the ministry, having been ordered deacon in 1886.

THE tenth anniversary of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Francis M. Taitt, S.T.D., LL.D., Litt.D., will be observed on October 4 at the Church of the Advocate, 18th and Diamond Streets, where the consecration service took place on October 4, 1929. Surrounded by his clergy, the Bishop will celebrate the Holy Communion at 10:45 A. M.

Leading the procession will be the choir of men and boys of St. Peter's Church, where the Bishop began his ministry fifty-six years ago and spent four years as curate.

The Bishop will have just returned from a vacation cruise to Buenos Aires and other South American ports. That he was on a British ship at the outbreak of the European war caused much concern here for his safety, especially when it was reported that German submarines were cruising in Caribbean waters.

The S. S. Eastern Prince, the liner on which the Bishop began the cruise, experienced engine trouble, however, and had to be laid up in Buenos Aires for repairs. The Bishop and some of his fellow passengers had to be transferred to the American Republic liner Uruguay for the trip back to New York.

As originally scheduled, his first cruise ship would have landed him at New York on September 27, in time to take up his duties on October 1. Change of ships made it impossible for him to reach New York before October 2.

The Bishop had been in the ministry forty-six years when he was elected Bishop Coadjutor on June 18, 1929, at the sixth of a series of special conventions called for that purpose by Bishop Garland. He accepted immediately upon being notified of his election. He

had then been rector of St. Paul's Church, Chester, since 1893.

Bishop Garland had enlarged his assignment of duties to the Bishop Coadjutor to include specifically the oversight of aided parishes as well as missions, including the appointment of missionaries. On the death of Bishop Garland on March 1, 1931, he automatically succeeded to the diocesan jurisdiction.

In the ten years of his episcopal life, Bishop Taitt has endeared himself to old and young, clergy and laity, throughout the Diocese. He has earned the admiration and respect of younger men by his vigor in attending to his many duties and in responding to the varied demands upon his time and his strength.

As a mark of the love they bear him the people of the Diocese will honor him at a dinner at the Penn Athletic Club on Tuesday night, October 3, the eve of the anniversary of his consecra-

tion. At that time he will be welcomed back to the Diocese from which he has been absent since August 18, when his vacation cruise began.

OLD St. Peter's-in-the-Great Valley, which for nearly 240 years has been serving the Chester Valley, near Paoli, held its "Annual Day of the Parish" with Holy Communion and sermon and a historical program on Sunday, September 17. The preacher was the Rev. Charles H. Urban, rector of St. Barnabas', Haddington.

The celebration is called "Annual Day of the Parish" because the real age of the parish is not definitely known. Its records prior to 1744 have been lost, although it is known that a log church was built about 1728, during the rectorship of the Rev. Robert Weyman, at St. David's, Radnor, and there are indications that an older building had been erected, probably between 1700 and 1704. The oldest

Bishop to Mark 10th Anniversary of Consecration

**Celebration to Take Place October 4
in Church of the Advocate . . . Other
Anniversaries Observed in Diocese**



St. Peter's-in-the-Great Valley, near Paoli, which is believed to be 239 years old, recently held its "annual day"



THE RT. REV. FRANCIS M. TAITT, S.T.D., LL.D., Litt.D.
 Pennsylvania's beloved Bishop, who was consecrated October 4, 1929

gravestones in the churchyard bore the dates 1708 and 1709, but these disappeared more than twenty-five years ago.

The minute book of the parish dates from 1744, and while tradition points to minutes previous to that year, no trace of them has been found. Other articles of treasured memory that have vanished include a set of Communion vessels given to the parish by Queen Anne, who was a generous and gracious patroness of the churches planted along the Delaware by Church of England missionaries of the late seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries.

It is presumed that St. Peter's-in-the-Great Valley was begun by George Keith, a missionary sent out to America from England by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, who, with his friend, John Talbot, "Apostle of New Jersey," did more than anyone else of that distant day to establish the

English Church in this part of the Colonies.

Later St. Peter's came to be known as the "Mother of Churches" because from its membership grew the neighboring parishes of St. Mary's, Warwick; St. Andrew's, West Vincent; St. Paul's, West Whiteland; St. Peter's, Phoenixville, and Holy Trinity, West Chester. As a matter of fact, nearly every church in Chester County has been nourished by this venerable parish.

In the vestry room hangs an engraving of the Paoli Massacre, which occurred September 20, 1777. The original print, published in London July 1, 1778, was made by a British army officer who participated in the action. In the scene St. Peter's is the most conspicuous landmark.

The present church is of stone and was built in three parts, each in a different century. The first unit was erected in 1744; an addition, now used

as the vestry room, was built in 1852; the third unit, at right angles to the older portion, was added in 1901 and serves as a parish house.

The parish is now attempting to raise a fund for restoring the church inside and out as nearly as possible to its original condition in 1744.

Richard Haughton, accounting warden of the parish, has succeeded in compiling a list of the pew holders as they appeared in the minutes of the vestry in September, 1749. Among them are many names that have been famous in the annals of Pennsylvania and the nation.

EIGHTY years of parish life and fifty years in its present church were commemorated by the congregation of Calvary Church, Conshohocken, on Sunday, September 24, when the Rev. Charles W. Shreiner, D.D., headmaster of the Church Farm School and rector of St. Paul's, West Whiteland, was the preacher. First services were held in the building at the time of its dedication on September 26, 1889.

During the Summer the church and parish house were renovated and underwent extensive repairs, for which the parish raised an anniversary fund of close to \$3000.

The first service of the series that resulted in the establishment of Calvary Church in Conshohocken was held in an old school house on July 25, 1858. The parish was organized in the Winter of that year and was admitted to union with the Convention in 1859. The first church was built in 1860 and the rectory followed in 1873. The parish house was erected in 1880. In 1884 work was commenced on an addition to the church that was intended eventually to be the chancel of the present structure, which was completed and consecrated in 1889.

The rector, the Rev. Stanley R. West, has been in charge of the parish since 1924. Under his ministry the congregation has grown until it now has 672 communicants and a Church School enrollment of more than 225 pupils.

Old St. David's, Radnor, celebrated the 225th anniversary of its founding, on September 3, with the Rev. Paul Due, of Clementon, N. J., a descendant of the Rev. Slater Clay, first priest in charge of St. David's after the American Succession in 1778, assisting the Rev. Crosswell McBee, D.D., rector, in the services.

The stone church is not only an ecclesiastical landmark in Pennsylvania, but a historic landmark as well, for many of the soldiers who fell at the Battle of the Brandywine are buried in the churchyard. During the

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Editorials

HOW TO BUILD THOSE THREE NEW CHURCHES

THE Episcopal Church has always been the outstanding American exponent of the saying of Emerson that "public worship is the most important single function in the life of a nation." And as a result of that faith and practice its members have inherited a tradition of reverence and love for the building in which they worship, a love much like that which prompts a man and a woman to adorn and beautify the rooms of the home in which they dwell. To Episcopalians the Church building is not a hall where they assemble occasionally for a public meeting, but their Father's house and their own spiritual fireside, to which, when absent, they always intend to return, because it is not only hallowed by sacred memories, but is also the place where they are sure to find shelter and rest, sustenance and inspiration. A church home becomes as familiar and dear as a home-
stead in which a family has dwelt for generations.

Therefore it happens that with remarkable frequency when the wills of Church people are read, bequests are found to have been made by devoted members to the church they loved, either to help support the old building or to erect a new one as a memorial. Some of the most beautiful of our churches are examples of the love and affection of benefactors of another age. The people of the Diocese would be surprised to find how many buildings, both churches and parish houses, have been built by one person or by one family in memory of a mother or a father, a son or a daughter.

But the days of large bequests in the Episcopal Church began to pass a score of years ago. And as colleges and other public institutions have been compelled to turn either to the State or to a greater number of smaller givers for their support, so the Church, no longer able to depend upon a small group of great wealth and generosity to supply its needs, has found that it also must train more people of moderate means to fill their places.

Fortunately for the Diocese a group of our clergy and laity foresaw this change years ago and established the Church Extension Fund to meet the emergency. The object of the fund is to have a large number of interested people in the Diocese agree to answer three calls a year with a definite amount for some specific building in the field of Church extension. These appeals generally bring in about \$2000 each, which, in the last few years, has made possible the erection of more churches and parish houses than have been built by other means in any period of equal length in our history. All honor to the men and women who had the imagination to project such a plan, and to those faithful subscribers who year after year have continued their contributions so systematically.

But even greater and more exciting possibilities lie

before the Church Extension Fund this year; for the unprecedented building boom in and around Philadelphia is producing a shifting of population that will require the erection of at least three places of worship within the near future—unless we are to sleep peacefully, as we have so often done, until the new neighborhoods are overchurched before we stroll in, rent a two-story house and try to gather up the fragments that remain. An unhappy metaphor, for when the other Christian Churches have worked for a few years in a new neighborhood there are very few fragments left for late and timid searchers.

To meet the urgent need for new churches, which anyone can see for himself if he travels about the Diocese, the only agency, under God, which is sufficient is the Church Extension Fund. Send your name in now as a contributor and help to build these three new churches before it is too late.

BISHOP PHILIP MERCER RHINELANDER

WHEN he came to the Diocese many of his friends wondered whether Philip Mercer Rhinelander, who had always been primarily a scholar and had declined an important position in parish life in order to teach in a theological school, would be able to fill the office of bishop, an office requiring administrative ability of a high order, and so exacting that it would prevent him from devoting hardly any time to his beloved books.

But Bishop Rhinelander surprised us all. Within a remarkably short time he had grasped the details of the business of the Diocese, had made comprehensive and far-seeing plans for Church extension, and was presiding at meetings with the ease and grace of an experienced parliamentarian.

Here was a man who combined the learning of the savant with the practical gifts of the business leader and the rare wisdom of the statesman. And behind all, shining through life and word and action, was ever the glow of devotion to his Lord and Saviour and to the Church which he so faithfully served—a man of affairs truly, but first and foremost a man of God.

May he rest in peace.

"If ever there was a time of spiritual need and craving, now is that time. Men are groping for a more practical and a more satisfactory way of life than our present materialistic civilization seems to be yielding. In every corner of the world there is suffering and need. We are being drowned in materialism. We are in danger of losing our hold upon GOD. All over the country one can sense a rising feeling that if religion means anything, now is the time to make it real."—*Francis B. Sayre, Assistant Secretary of State, in an address at the National Stewardship Convention.*

The Sanctuary of Devotion

Prepared by REV. E. FELIX KLOMAN
Rector, Christ Church, Philadelphia

I will hear what the Lord will speak; for he will speak peace unto his people. Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him: that glory may dwell in our land. Ps. 85: 8, 9

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

Ps. 27: 14

FOR TODAY

Hold us this day, O Lord, in thy keeping, and grant to us thy spirit of beauty, courage, and truth, that around us, wherever we go, loveliness, purity, joy, and justice, may leap into splendid being.

Hoyland

FOR ALL TIMES

Fix thou our steps, O Lord, that we stagger not at the uneven motions of the world, but go steadily on our way, neither censoring our journey because of the weather we meet, nor turning aside for anything that befalls us.

Author Unknown

TODAY

Look to this Day
For it is Life, the very Life of Life;
In its brief course lie all the varieties
of Existence,
The Bliss of Growth,
The Glory of Action,
The Splendour of Beauty . . .
Look well, therefore, to this Day.

FOR OUR COUNTRY

God of our fathers and our God, who settest the solitary in families and gatherest the nations together, we praise Thee for the land of our heart's devotion. Thou didst lead our fathers to these shores that they might lay here the foundations of civil and religious liberty. In Thy providence Thou hast made us citizens of a land great in privilege and great in opportunity. May Thy power be our courage and may the light of Thy countenance give unto us strength in our inner spirits that we may not falter in the times that test us to the uttermost. Grant unto this land a new birth of freedom and may the spirit of our forefathers come anew into our lives in this present time. May we pledge, as did they in their heroic hour, our lives and all that we possess for the fulfillment of the ideal of human freedom. Unite all the people of this great nation in a holy purpose to defend the principles of freedom and brotherhood. Guard us from selfish purposes. Deliver us from every influence that would break down reverence for law and corrupt our sense of corporate responsibility. Above all, keep alive among us a compelling faith in the things of the spirit, a love for all that makes for beauty and for truth and devotion to Thy righteousness, friendliness and peace.

Adapted

MEDITATION

War is absolutely damnable, but Peace may be demoralizing.

War is raging in Europe. Here—what? No fear of air raids. As yet, our boys and men have not marched off to

kill and be killed. We are at Peace. Will our Peace be the Peace of God or will it be demoralizing? Will it be used for self-interest and self-indulgence, or for the good of others, for social improvement and for enriching the life of man everywhere? Jesus said, "Blessed are the peace makers, for they shall be called Sons of God." Peace makers, or war makers, which shall it be?

O God, who knittest us all together in mutual love and responsibility, rebuke in us all enmity, selfishness and strife, all pride of position and race. In thy presence our disguises and pretences are of no avail. The nations, seeking their own advantage, are at war. At home there is injustice, insecurity and poverty that goes unnoticed by those wrapped in selfish indifference. Have mercy upon us.

From fighting evil with evil,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From falling into the error of acting as though two wrongs make a right,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From meeting bitterness with bitterness,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From copying the actions of those who have forgotten thee,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all iniquity, hatred and violence,
Good Lord, deliver us.

FOR THE AFFLICTED

Almighty Father, who art afflicted in the afflictions of thy people and art full of compassion and tender mercy, hear us as we pray for the suffering people of the warring countries: For children separated from their fathers and mothers; for the fatherless and motherless; for leaders of the warring nations, that a new hatred of war and love for peace may be born; for the sick, the wounded, and the dying. Fill our hearts with compassion for those who suffer. Teach us nobler ways of settling our differences. Hasten the coming of thy kingdom of righteousness and peace, and use us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

AT NIGHT

Dear God and Father, quiet our thoughts and give us thy peace as we come to thee at the close of day. We thank thee for thy guidance throughout this day. Into thy hands, O God, we commit our spirits, and accept the miracle of sleep; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE OF GOD

"The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4: 7

DIOCESAN REPORTER

The retreat for priests of the Diocese, held at Holy Trinity Holiday House from September 18 to 21, with the Rev. E. Frank Salmon, D.D., rector of Holy Trinity Church, as conductor, will be completely reported in the next issue of THE NEWS by the Rev. Carl I. Shoemaker, rector of the Church of the Annunciation.

The Rev. Walter W. Ware, of the staff of the City Mission, was guest preacher at St. Barnabas', Haddington, on September 24 in the absence of the rector, the Rev. Charles H. Urban.

Christ Church was made the sole beneficiary in the will of Rachel L. Heidenreich, who left her entire estate of \$839 to the parish. She died in Episcopal Hospital June 29.

An innovation in wedding records was witnessed at St. Clement's early in September when Prof. John V. Hansen, of Washington, nationally known scientific photographer, set up motion picture apparatus in the church to film in natural color his marriage to Miss Anne Bach.

Doing a \$1200 renovation job for \$184.87 is the feat recently accomplished by the Rev. W. Hamilton Aulenbach and the men of his parish—Christ and St. Michael's. Even girls of the Church School turned to with paint and brush to assist in the refurbishing. The final result is the source of justifiable pride on the part of rector and parishioners.

All Saints Day, November 1, will be marked at the Cathedral, Upper Roxborough, by a memorial service for the late Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, ninth Bishop of Pennsylvania.

St. Luke's, Germantown, opened its day school on September 25 for the 1939-1940 season with first grade added to the kindergarten class of former terms. Religious instruction is included in the curriculum.

The congregation of St. Matthew's, Francisville, will gather in the parish house on Tuesday evening, October 24, to fete the Rev. C. Herbert Reese on the twentieth anniversary of his rectorship. Mr. Reese is the first rector in the parish's long history to serve there more than eighteen years.

REV. A. P. HARRISON GOING TO WEST VIRGINIA

Acceptance of a call to the rectorship of the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Parkersburg, W. Va., is announced by the Rev. A. Palmore Harrison, curate at Calvary Church, Germantown, since March 1, 1935. He leaves the Diocese on October 15 and plans to begin work in his new parish immediately upon his arrival.

Mr. Harrison, who entered the ministry from the newspaper field, was born in Philadelphia. After attending Brown Preparatory School, he entered Trinity College and was graduated in 1932. Three years later he was graduated with honors from Philadelphia Divinity School. He was ordered dea-

con February 18, 1935, and ordained priest the following December 15 by Bishop Taitt.

Prior to entering college he worked with the Rev. Joseph R. Baird and the Rev. Dallas E. Buzby at Philadelphia General Hospital, where he developed an interest in philosophy and psychology in which he specialized later. While he was a seminary student he was lay reader in charge of the Church of the Redemption from October, 1933, to January, 1935. In January, 1938, he married Miss Florence Simpson, of Frankford.

In leaving Calvary Church, Mr. Harrison declares one of his chief regrets is the severing of his association with Dr. Morris, the rector under whom he has served for more than four years.

THE CHURCH NEWS HONOR ROLL

As the circulation campaign of THE CHURCH NEWS progresses it will be our pleasure to add to this list the names of those parishes and missions in which we are permitted to canvass and the number of subscribers they have. For the sake of making it easy to find your parish, the list is arranged in alphabetical order.

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* Canvass conducted by the parish itself

† Canvassed by Young People's Fellowship

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"Here's A How-de-do!"

Also "A Pretty Mess" and "A
State of Things" If Rector, Choir
and Choirmaster Don't Click

By HAROLD W. GILBERT
Organist and Choirmaster, St. Peter's Philadelphia

ONE of the amusing publicity stunts at the New York World's Fair is a contest in dish-washing, demonstrating the difference between the old-fashioned way and the new. The advocate of the old way, after much splashing about and the expenditure of great energy, completes her assignment no better than the one who saves effort and fuss by using modern and efficient equipment. The demonstration is announced as "The Battle of the Centuries."

This spectacle has much in it—in appearance and in result—that suggests two methods of approach to the supervision of parish musical matters. In fact, the parish musical problem might well be called by the same title! In some parishes, "modern" methods are used—methods developed through the exercise of tact and consideration; through unselfishness and loyalties and well-deserved confidence. But unfortunately, there are many parishes that witness bickering—fostered by "the insolence of office"; by a seeming unwillingness to understand; by sheer selfishness. No matter how much energy is expended, all concerned get dreadfully dishevelled and mussed up without accomplishing much of anything.

Those of you who belong to well-regulated parishes, as you read this, will think the picture grossly exaggerated, but it is not. The wonder is that the conflict going on behind the scenes does not more frequently burst out into the open and attract general attention. The better if it would! A few discreetly administered spankings might smooth out some untidy wrinkles in administration.

The eternal triangle, in this case, consists of the rector, the choir director, and the choir. In some cases, the music committee takes the place of the rector. Where differences occur, the possible alliances are as follows:

Rector versus choirmaster and choir.

Choirmaster versus rector and choir.
Rector and choirmaster versus choir.

Now the third of these possible alliances would not promote any lasting warfare, for the two officials could soon agree upon a method of solving differences. The second line-up would so soon prove untenable for the choirmaster that he would have to capitulate.

Alliance No. 1 is the ominous one. The rector faces the opposing host alone. He naturally stands by his guns and his dignity as superior officer. But the opposition has the advantage of numbers, led by one who is convinced that he upholds a policy incontrovertible. A deadlock ensues and the musical standards stagnate. As Yum-Yum, Nanki-Pooh and Ko-Ko would exclaim: "Here's a how-de-do! Here's a pretty mess! Here's a state of things!"

In analyzing the various disputes that one hears of in this connection, the conclusion is that of the several causes of misunderstanding the chiefest is the choice of hymns and anthems. The trouble seems to be that the rector and the choirmaster do not cooperate on this point. The former is likely to want a certain subject emphasized; the latter is likely to want the choir's convenience considered. If the rector asks for a last-minute change in program, the choirmaster considers himself imposed upon; if the choirmaster produces an anthem with a text that does not suit the sermon, the rector objects to the method of selecting anthems. The fact seems to be that each man is trying to do his own job the best he can without any regard for the other. This, of course, is no way to foster good feeling and get a good result. In any well-conducted enterprise, coordination is essential to success. In the parish, the coordinator is the rector, himself, who is thus in the awkward position of acting in a dual role. The solution is not at all difficult

if the two parties are big enough to get their heads together in a spirit of real cooperation.

THE Church canons give the rector of a parish complete jurisdiction over the parish music—let the choirmaster keep that in mind and accept his post with that understanding. On the other hand, a wise rector, except in extraordinary circumstances, would not exercise his prerogative to the point of causing irritation. The authority is his to use when authority becomes necessary, and constitutes a wise safeguard against heresy and impropriety—probably the only purpose for which it was intended. A clergyman is unreasonably expected to be expert in many diverse subjects. Occasionally one may be found whose previous training makes him a music expert, but rarely. The musical expert in the parish should be the choirmaster and organist, and he should be recognized as such.

A heart-to-heart talk between rector and choirmaster, preferably at the commencement of their association, gets everybody off on the right foot. Such a talk should make perfectly clear to the choirmaster the policies that the rector wants followed. It should also leave no doubt in either one's mind about the authority to be vested in the choirmaster in dealing with his choir members, in making decisions about musical standards, in choosing the musical settings to be sung at services, and in deciding whether specific musical numbers have had adequate preparation for public performance. The conference should also settle certain ethical matters that sooner or later raise their ugly heads to disturb an otherwise happy condition—to what extent the music committee is to have a voice in the selection of soloists; what is to be the policy when others than the regular organist wish to play the organ, whether for practice or for weddings of their friends. A schedule should be agreed upon requiring that lists of hymns be available to the choirmaster in ample time for adequate preparation by the choir. For some reason, this apparently small matter is treated with utter disregard by many clergymen, and is a source of much unnecessary contention. Hymns are not always easy for the choir to sing well, and a conscientious choirmaster always treats hymns with care. Slight signs of carelessness in ensemble singing can be readily corrected, and slovenly habits of enunciation worked over if the hymns can be practiced. Often, these musical points cannot be worried about during the rehearsing of anthems, for so many other techni-

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The Girls' Friendly Society

Looks Forward to New Season, But Finds Much of Summer's Program Worth Looking Over in Retrospect

By **MADELEINE T. SPIESS**
National Vice-President-in-Charge

A few of the 160 Candidates, representing nineteen Branches, who spent three weeks at work, play and worship at Holiday House, Cape May, last Summer



THE G. F. S., looking forward to a new season of growth and activity, is still thinking about its Summer experiences, which are worth reporting. Nationally, the triennial Council meeting at Providence, R. I., was, of course, the high spot with a total of more than 700 persons registered. Mrs. Harold E. Woodward, of St. Louis, Mo., was elected national president to serve for the next three years. Pennsylvania continues to be represented on the national board by Miss Margaret C. Maule, treasurer, and Mrs. C. William Spiess, vice-president-at-large.

The Holiday House, at Cape May, was, as usual, the center of the Summer life. More than 400 guests enjoyed its hospitality, and special conferences for Candidates and Younger Members emphasized the constant inflow of new life and young life which is an outstanding fact in this, one of the three oldest G. F. S. organizations and the largest in the country, by a very comfortable margin.

During the first three weeks of the season, 160 Candidates from 19 Branches—all between the ages of 9 and 13—reigned supreme. Working Associates and Older Members carried out a program of worship, work and play, in which the children had a full share of responsibility, conducting daily chapel services and staging evening entertainments. The most popular craft class, perhaps, was that for

making puppets, and as a result of its work two puppet shows were given during the period — "Hansel and Gretel" and "Cinderella."

Outdoor recreation was a part of each day's program, under the supervision of Miss Dorothy Righter, of Christ Church and St. Michael's, a trained teacher of this work. It is the policy of the society in this diocese to use all Senior Members as leaders, whenever they qualify as such.

To safeguard the health of the children a trained nurse was in residence at all times. She examined the children on arrival and had a daily check-up of their physical condition.

Following the Candidates came the Younger Members, for a week of holiday-making and programs for girls from 14 to 18 years old. This was the first attempt to have a special period for this age group, and its success will probably make it a feature of coming Summers. Thirty-one girls took full charge of their program, with four Associates as teachers and advisers. Miss Margaret Smythe, chairman for Younger Members, who was in charge, says that the sense of "togetherness" which pervaded all the meetings and frolics, is to her the best achievement of that week, and should do much to strengthen the life of the Branches represented. After all, the G. F. S. has always been a unique fellowship in spirit—not just an organization. Not

only did the girls make all arrangements for the banquet which closed the week, but they also planned and conducted beautiful chapel services.

As a follow-up of this venture, Holiday House closed the 1939 season with a weekend conference for Younger Members, which attracted an even larger group — 43 girls from 23 Branches. This conference, an intensive one of program planning for the coming Winter, also was under the chairmanship of Miss Smythe, with several diocesan leaders assisting in the panel discussions and classes.

In all these activities and from week to week of just "vacations" the Holiday House Committee had again the full co-operation of the parish of the Church of the Advent, Cape May. Handcraft classes were held in the parish house, which always was available for rainy days when scores of children became a difficult entertainment problem, and above all, the mid-week celebrations of the Holy Communion in the House Chapel linked parish and Friendly together, as it always has been together in Cape May. The Rev. Benjamin Brown, rector of the Church of the Advent, was the celebrant, and between 20 and 30 were present as a rule.

The G. F. S. in Pennsylvania again owes a debt of gratitude to the Holiday House Committee, under the chair-

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Children Will Be Thankful

**Far-Reaching Effects of New Laws
Safeguarding Marriage Will Be
Appreciated by Rising Generation**

By CLINTON ROGERS WOODRUFF

Chairman, Diocesan Dept. of Christian Social Service

LAST December THE CHURCH NEWS published a striking article by Dr. D. Wilmot Gateson, of the Church of the Saviour, entitled "Making Marriage Safer by Law." It was a courageous one, advocating the passage of a law requiring medical tests for couples planning to get married. A bill requiring this had been drafted for the Department of Christian Social Service in 1937 by John H. Fertig, then the efficient Legislative Librarian of the State. It was introduced by Senator George Woodward; but it was not passed, as the Legislature was not ready for it.

In the two years that elapsed between the sessions of 1937 and 1939 much spade work was done, not only by the Central Committee and the Diocesan Department of Christian Social Service, but most particularly by the Pennsylvania Federation of Women's Clubs acting in cooperation with the American Social Hygiene Association. This organization has a Committee on Legislation, of which Mrs. William E. Martindale was the active and vigorous chairman. She drafted a new bill, based on the 1937 measure. It was introduced by Senator C. Gilbert Wolfenden, of Indiana, who did yeoman service, and the measure was passed by both houses of the Legislature, only, however, to be vetoed by the Governor on technicalities. A new bill correcting these was promptly introduced, although some of us did not feel they were really needed. This bill was unanimously passed, and approved by the Governor on June 24, 1939.

Thus another step forward in throwing safeguards around marriage. Still another bill in the same direction was taken under Mrs. Martindale's leadership. This was one requiring all expectant mothers, whether they go to hospitals or private physicians for prenatal care, to undergo serological (blood serum) tests. The act was made law by Governor James's signa-

ture on May 17. Aimed at the prevention of congenital syphilis, the measure is a follow-up on the law requiring medical tests for couples planning to get married.

Machinery for putting the pre-natal tests into effect is already in existence, explained Dr. Joseph A. Daly, member of the Philadelphia County and State Medical Societies legislative committees. "It will simply mean," he said, "that in the future all doctors, whether they are working in hospitals or only handle private cases, will be required to give expectant mothers serological tests." To a great extent, these tests already are given most expectant mothers as soon as they apply. Now they are mandatory. This new law was backed by the State Medical Society. It will cost the expectant mothers very little, if anything, as the city and state laboratories make the tests free of charge. In some cases there may be a physician's fee, if the examination is a private one. All information concerning the test and the final report is kept strictly confidential.

Bishop Creighton, of Michigan, tells me that Michigan has a similar law, which was evaded, however, by couples intending marriage going to Indiana, where there is no such law. Imagine, however, the consternation of those who did so to learn that a residence of 30 days in Indiana is essential to a legal marriage!

In thanking the Central Committee and the Department of our own Diocese for their cooperation, Mrs. Martindale said, "Again may we tell you of our appreciation of the many good offices and constant courtesies extended to us by the Honorable Thomas B. Stockham, whom we regard as our good friend as well as yours." Mr. Stockham is a member of the Legislature, the Executive Council of the Diocese and the Department of Christian Social Service.

In connection with this brief account

of the Department's recent activities it may be interesting to note that from its inception the Department of Christian Social Service (originally called a Commission) has been deeply concerned in questions relating to the family, and therefore to marriage. A comprehensive study of the whole problem some twenty odd years ago, in which the late Dr. Washburn, of Christ Church, and the late Fr. Eliot White, then of St. Mark's, were leading spirits and factors, received widespread attention, and has served as a basis of subsequent consideration and action.

A decade ago the Department began its agitation for an appropriate delay between the application for and the issuance of a license to marry. At first it was hard sledding, due largely to the opposition of justices of the peace living in the border counties of the State, but finally, in 1935, the bill requiring a three-day period was passed. Thus "hasty marriages" in Pennsylvania were made difficult and practically impossible. "Gin marriages," as they were popularly called here, largely became a thing of the past, but the situation was by no means cleaned up, for some of the neighboring states were equally lax, especially Maryland. New York fell in line under the leadership of the Diocesan Commission. This left only Maryland, which had become a source of grave scandal. To abate this the Pennsylvania Department, together with the Central Committee of the Five Dioceses, took the matter up with the Provincial Commission on Social Service and this body in turn took it up with the Maryland Commission. Bishop Helfenstein gave the movement his hearty support and in time the various religious bodies were enlisted and a law requiring two days was passed by the Legislature. The fight was by no means won, for the taxicab interests and the fly-by-night parsons circulated petitions for a referendum, which was held last November, but the law was overwhelmingly approved, the vote being about four to one.

Now Pennsylvania is completely surrounded by States that legally require a breathing space before a marriage license is issued, and much unhappiness and, in many instances, tragedy is averted. The Pennsylvania law has a provision allowing a judge of the Orphans' Court to grant an immediate license in cases of emergency. Unfortunately one of our own Philadelphia judges (the Hon. Allen M. Stearne) granted such a license in the case of a socially prominent couple who had received Nevada divorces a very short time before. It is to be hoped that this will not establish an unfortunate precedent.

WITH the 150th anniversary of the American Prayer Book and the 50th anniversary of the United Thank Offering looming large on the horizon, the annual Educational Conference of the Woman's Auxiliary on October 31 makes a bid for attention.

While plans for the event have not been completed, an ambitious program is being constructed in the hope that it will draw a record registration. Plans thus far discussed call for three sessions in Holy Trinity Parish House, 217 South 20th Street, with a fifteen-minute devotional service between the second morning session and the luncheon recess.

The periods will be as follows:

10:00 to 11:30 A. M.—President's Meeting. At this session Mrs. Edward Ingersoll, diocesan president of the Auxiliary, is anxious to meet with not only the presidents of all the parish auxiliaries, but also with all women interested in the work that the Auxiliary is doing.

11:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.—Discussion of the history, aims and work of the United Thank Offering with Mrs. Francis R. Packard, treasurer, as the speaker.

12:30 to 12:45 P. M.—Devotional Service.

2:00 to 3:30 P. M.—Meeting of parish educational secretaries, open to all interested church women, conducted by Mrs. John A. Slemmons, educational secretary of the diocesan Auxiliary. At this period Mrs. H. Norman Perkins will present an approach to the mission study topic for this year, "Christ in the World Community." Also at this meeting will be decided the purpose to which the mission study offering will be devoted.

The conference will receive its initial impetus at the pre-conference dinner to be held at the Penn Athletic Club at 6 P. M. on Monday, October 30, the eve of the sessions. The principal speakers will be Bishop Oldham, of the Diocese of Albany, and Mr. Nostrand. Dr. Thomas S. Gates, president of the University of Pennsylvania and chairman of the Diocesan Field Department Committee, has been asked to preside.

Mrs. Slemmons will produce a short Madras play, in which various important points about the Madras Conference are to be emphasized dramatically.

For the benefit of those to whom the names mentioned in the foregoing paragraphs are not familiar, the following thumbnail sketches have been prepared:

Apart from the Woman's Auxiliary Education Conference, but yet a part of it, will be the evening meeting of

the Junior Woman's Auxiliary at 8:30 P. M. Business and professional women who are unable to attend the daytime sessions will be welcomed at this meeting. It is planned to invite as speaker the Rev. George F. Nostrand, of Montclair, N. J., who was a delegate to the youth conference at Amsterdam last July.

MRS. JOHN A. SLEMONS—Educational Secretary of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary; president of the Woman's Auxiliary at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown; for two years general chairman of the Fall Educational Conference of the Woman's Auxiliary; vice-chairman of the Diocesan Committee; former regent of Germantown Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

MRS. H. NORMAN PERKINS—In charge of religious education at Germantown Friends School; an authority

on the Bible; member of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill; chairman of Germantown Inter-racial Committee; active in religious work in connection with the student council movement among fifteen private schools for girls in the Philadelphia area; will conduct the first series of classes for leaders of the mission study beginning November 8 and meeting at 2 P. M. on succeeding Wednesdays until December 13.

REV. GEORGE F. NOSTRAND—Assistant rector of St. Luke's, Montclair, N. J., since 1937; native of Jamaica, N. Y.; graduated from American University, 1934; attended Union Theological Seminary two years and graduated from General Theological Seminary, 1937; ordered deacon May 1, 1937; ordained priest, November 28, 1937; known as a champion of youth in the Church.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

ALL young women in the Diocese should be sharing in the program of the Woman's Auxiliary. Another year of great activity is starting and the Junior Woman's Auxiliary board in this Diocese would like to make a special appeal at this time to all parishes who do not have a branch of the Junior Auxiliary to consider the possibilities of organizing such a group. The president and all of the Diocesan officers of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary will be ready to lend assistance to new groups and would like to be called upon any time for this aid. There is need for more branches and increased membership to carry out our active program more efficiently!

The Rev. Frederick P. Houghton, D.D., Executive Secretary of the Diocese, will address the first monthly executive meeting of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary Wednesday evening, October 11. The meeting will start promptly at 7:45 P. M. in Room 21, Church House. It is requested that each parish be well represented at the first meeting to welcome the guest speaker we are privileged to present and to hear the many plans for the coming year.

The attention of all Junior Auxiliary members and business and professional women of the Diocese is called to the special evening service and meeting to

The Woman's Auxiliary Page

Annual Educational Conference Shares the Spotlight with 50th Anniversary of United Thank Offering—Dinner Is Opening Event

Edited by DOROTHY SIBLEY HOPKINS

BISHOP OLDHAM ACCEPTS BID TO ADDRESS WOMEN

All fears that the dinner scheduled for the eve of the Woman's Auxiliary Educational Conference would be without a stirring speaker have been laid by the announcement that the Rt. Rev. George A. Oldham, D.D., Bishop of Albany, will make the principal address. The affair will be held at the Penn Athletic Club on the evening of October 30.

Bishop Oldham, one of the most thrilling speakers in the whole Church, is an authority on international relations. He is president of the Albany branch of the Foreign Policy Association; president of the Albany World Court Committee; member of the Commission on International Justice and Good Will; vice-president of the National Council for the Prevention of War; member of the Council of Foreign Relations, American Academy of Political Science, and president of the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches.

be held Tuesday evening, October 31, in connection with the Educational Conference of the Woman's Auxiliary. The service will start at 8 P. M. in Holy Trinity Parish House, to be followed by a thrilling message from the Rev. George F. Nostrand, assistant rector of St. Luke's Church, Montclair, N. J. Mr. Nostrand was a delegate to the World Conference of Christian Youth at Amsterdam, Holland, last Summer. The Junior Auxiliary Executive Board is making this meeting possible and is hoping for the support of all women in the Diocese otherwise deprived of the splendid benefits of this conference.

All Junior Auxiliaries should have representation at the various meetings in connection with the annual Educational Conference of the Woman's Auxiliary to be held October 30 and 31. The privileges of attending these splendid meetings will be a great inspiration to all Junior women for the coming year.

Miss Ray Phillips, United Thank Offering chairman for the Junior Auxiliaries of the Diocese, is requesting all members to keep in mind the 50th anniversary of the United Thank Offering with the Fall intake, this month. She is especially asking our support for the presentation service to be held the first Thursday in November. This is to be held in the evening to enable the younger women and others in the Diocese to have the advantage of sharing in its inspiration and therefore our interest is urgently requested. Representatives from each

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A MESSAGE TO CHURCH WOMEN ON U.T.O.'S 50th ANNIVERSARY

By MRS. FRANCIS R. PACKARD

AS the designated day for the presentation of the United Thank Offering and the observance of its fiftieth anniversary approaches the thoughts of churchwomen are dwelling more and more consciously on the meaning of thankfulness and the privilege of sharing out of a thankful heart.

We who have shared in the work of the United Thank Offering cannot help being in accord with Bishop Tucker in emphasizing the benefits enjoyed by those who really share. We are reminded that Bishop Whittemore stressed the same thing when he said, "There is no room in the thankful heart for uncharitableness: one cannot be grateful and mean at the same time."

Bishop Tucker in no way ignores the tremendousness of the United Thank Offering as a factor in the missionary enterprise, but he realizes what it would mean to the world if every man and woman could attain the attitude of mind Bishop Whittemore described.

It must be remembered that the United Thank Offering is a *free will offering* over and above all other obligations, a spontaneous outpouring from a heart full of thanks. No amount of money can measure such a feeling, but money we have earned by hard work and sacrifice does represent a part of our life. Hence, to use it to express gratitude is right, no matter how small the amount; but only if the real spirit of gratitude is behind it, motivating the gift.

I want to direct your thoughts to the use of the Blue Box, because the manner in which it is used is important. It may seem childish to some of us, this little box, but it has become the world-wide symbol of the United Thank Offering. Women of all nations know and love it. Each Blue Box has become a link in a strongly welded chain that binds women of the Church in all parts of the world into a powerful force for good.

Dr. Lewis Franklin, treasurer of the National Council, who takes care of the United Thank Offering for the whole Church during the Triennium, and does it so marvelously, has asked every woman in the Church to get a Blue Box and keep it where she will see it constantly through each day. Thus it will be to her a reminder of what the offering means, that she will be at all times aware of the little everyday occurrences, as well as the larger ones, for which we are thankful.

It may not always be possible to put the money in when a prayer of thanksgiving is said, but an I. O. U. or any other token may be put in, and at the time of the In-Gathering as much as can be spared may be added.

The Autumn In-Gathering for the Diocese will be at 8 o'clock Thursday evening, November 2, at St. Mark's Church, Locust Street above 16th. This year, for the first time, it will be an evening meeting, so that *everyone* can come to help celebrate the fiftieth anniversary.

Philadelphians like to think that Philadelphia is the birthplace of the United Thank Offering. It was here in 1883 that the women met for the first time in a Corporate Communion at General Convention and made their first offering as a body. This was the precursor of the United Thank Offering. This offering was made again at the next General Convention and again in 1889, when Mrs. Richard H. Soule was inspired by the idea that it should be "a token of our living gratitude to God for his mercies through the first century of our Church in these United States."

Mrs. Soule, who from her home in Massachusetts still watches with eager interest everything connected with the movement she helped to inaugurate, insists that too much credit has been given to her. She gives the credit to Miss Julia Emery, sister of Mrs. Twing, who started the Woman's Auxiliary.

The offering taken at General Convention in 1889 was used to send Miss Lisa Lovell to Japan and to build a little chapel in Anvik, Alaska, where the Rev. John W. Chapman was working. Those two enterprises formed the motif traced throughout the pattern of the United Thank Offering's work in the ensuing half century, until now chapels, mission schools, hospitals, rectories and other buildings erected from U. T. O. funds dot the maps of a large portion of the earth.

More than that, those same gifts given through the United Thank Offering have trained most of the women who have been living witnesses for Christ in those same outposts of the Church for the last fifty years.

"And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him."—Col. 3:17.

Religious Education

Diocesan Normal School Opens October 10, Heading Activities Scheduled for Fall and Winter

By ELIZABETH P. FRAZIER
Departmental Field Secretary

THERE will be courses for Church School teachers with little previous training and courses for more advanced teachers in the Diocesan Normal School, which opens October 10 in the Church House. There also will be content courses and courses on techniques of teaching.

Beginners should go into the Teachers' Clinic in the first period, armed with the text-book they have been given to use with their Church School classes. They will be assigned to a coach who will give them special help in planning their work from Sunday to Sunday. In the second period they should take the Survey Course for Beginners which will explore the many things that teachers will want to know and study more thoroughly later.

Teachers who have had these courses or the equivalent will want to take "The Child-Laying Foundations of Christian Personality," taught by the Rev. Reuel L. Howe, of Philadelphia Divinity School faculty, or one of the content courses taught by the Rev. E. Frank Salmon, D.D., or the Rev. James M. Niblo, D.D.

In the second period they will be glad to find that a brand-new technique is to be explained by Miss Rosetta Barratt, namely, the Verse Speaking Choir. They will be glad, too, to know that Miss Dorathy Scott is back on the faculty with special help for teachers of seniors; that Mrs. T. L. Harris is the teacher of the Mission Study topic for this year, "Christ and the World Community."

Courses on the Church Year and the Heroes of the Early Church round out the curriculum. The assembly periods will be devoted to the task of the Christian teacher and should give

much help and inspiration. Detailed programs have been sent to rectors, Church School superintendents and those who have attended the Normal School and Institute in recent years.

Last Winter the National Department of Religious Education asked us to have various pictures taken for use in some leaflets they were planning to publish. One night the photographer came to the Normal School and took many pictures. Christ Church, Holy Trinity, and St. Mary's, Ardmore, also posed for the camera. Well, the result is now before us in the shape of very attractive leaflets—free—with the following titles: *Leaders Learn; Being Leaders; Working Together in the Parish; The Sunday Session*. These along with a new pamphlet on the Nursery Department have many helpful hints for our work.

We have been asked by the Woman's Auxiliary if any of the older girls in our Church Schools use the United Thank Offering Blue Box. We didn't know. Do you? It seems that it would be a very worthwhile project for the older girls to start this activity the year they have the course on Missions. In fact, the course could be based on what the United Thank Offering does.

The speaker at the devotional services that will mark the closing of the Church School Institute, Monday evening, October 2, will be the Rev. William M. Bradner, Canon Precenter at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Washington, D. C. The service begins at 8:30 P. M. in the auditorium of the Christian Association Building, 36th and Locust Streets.

MOVIES . . .

from the Mission Field

John E. Burleson, son of the late Bishop Burleson, will return to this diocese November 12 and remain until November 25 to exhibit his color films of the Church at Work in the Missionary Districts of Wyoming, New Mexico and Alaska.

Bookings may be made through the Department of Religious Education, Room 30, Church House. Write, or if you prefer, telephone SPRuce 6650.

OUR Episcopal publishing houses have been very busy, for several new and interesting books for use in our Church Schools have come out this Summer. Here are some brief reviews of the most interesting:

Christian Living in Our Community, by MILDRED FISH JAYNES. Edited by MILDRED HEWITT. Cloister Press. Teacher's book, 90c. Pupil's, 60c.

This course is planned on the unit method. The teacher's guide gives valuable aid to the teacher in leading her fifth grade pupils to the discovery of the meaning of Christian Discipleship. The other book consists of appropriate stories and devotional material for the pupil's use.

The Old Testament and You, by MARY C. WHITE. Cloister Press. Teacher's Manual, 30c. Pupil's Workbook, 60c.

This uses the workbook, which has become so popular lately, and uses it very well. The old Testament becomes a modern book, alive with the conduct problems that face youth. There are interesting maps, charts, and many different kinds of "fill-in" pages which should keep a class on its toes. It is written for the seventh grade child. The teacher's guide gives many helpful suggestions.

A Tour of the Prayer Book, by the REV. VERNON C. McMASTER. Morehouse-Gorham Co. Pupil's Workbook, 60c.

The title of this workbook is really descriptive of the contents. It covers the Prayer Book quite thoroughly, or rather makes the one who is following it do so. For there are many blank spaces to fill in.

My Own History of the Christian Church, by ALICE M. BROOKMAN, Morehouse-Gorham Co. Pupil's Workbook, 75c.

This sequel to Miss Brookman's workbook, *My Own Life of Christ*, is based on *The Divine Commission*, by the Rt. Rev. Frank E. Wilson, D.D., which should be used as a source book. It is written for those of senior high school age or older.

The Children's Own Corner

The following verses were selected from the fifty-two prize-winning efforts of children in the diocese who entered them in the annual contest for Candidates sponsored by the Senior Members Club of the Girls' Friendly Society. Besides the fifty-two prize-winners there were forty-nine who received honorable mention.—EDITOR.

MY KITTEN

I.

I have a little kitten, as white as
white can be,
The prettiest little creature you'd
ever wish to see.
He's a mischievous little fellow, I'm
sure that you can see,
For he tangles up my yarn and then
he runs away from me.

II.

Sometimes I dress my kitten up,
And he's bashful as can be;
And then, when I'm away from
home,
He whines and cries for me.

BARBARA MILLER,
Age 9, Grade 5-A,
St. Simon the Cyrenian

APRIL RAIN

April rain is pleasing
To the grass and to the trees.
April rain is pleasing, too,
To the birds and to the bees.

April rain is pleasing
To the girls and to the boys,
For it brings back all the flowers
And long bright sunny hours.

April rain is pleasing
For Mother Nature, dear;
So her thirsty little seedlings
Can drink their fill, you know.

So you see that April rain is dear
To children, birds, trees, grass and
bees;
Mother Nature, too, wants the rain,
And other things to be happy, too.

KATHRYN LANCASTER, Age 10,
Saint Mark's Church, Frankford

MY DOG

My dog is not a thoroughbred,
He has no pedigree,
But he's as dear as any dog
Could ever be to me.

I tried to teach him tricks one day,
He sat so very still,
Until he spied another dog,
Running down the hill.

He really isn't smart, you see,
Though he knows when I am sad,
And you should see how "cute" he
acts
When he's been very bad.

I love my dog so very much,
I'd cry if we should part,
Though he's never won a blue ribbon,
He's already won my heart.

DOROTHY BIGGER,
Age 13, Grade 9-A,
Christ Church, Franklinville

Church School teachers are invited to submit creative efforts of their pupils for publication on this page. Proper credit for authorship will be printed with all poems, drawings, photographs, stories, or other items used. Enclose postage for return. Be sure to give the name and age of the child whose work is submitted, as well as the Church School in which he is enrolled.

FLOWER OF LOVE

The flower of love and purity,
The rose, both red and white,
That sways in the breeze of the
garden
In the Summer's evening light.

The butterflies come to see thee
And sip the honey-dew sweet,
The children, too, come and pick you
For their mother so dear and petite.

MARJORIE PEARCE,
Age 11, Grade 6-B, St. Barnabas,
Haddington Branch, G. F. S.

TEST YOUR SPELLING

Underline or check the correctly
spelled words in the following list

1.

crusified
crusifyd
crucified

2.

Ponscious Pilate
Pontius Pilate
Ponteus Pilot

3.

deciple
disciple
discipal

4.

Galilee
Galilie
Galelie

5.

Mathue
Mathew
Matthew

6.

Palestin
Palustine
Palestine

7.

Bethlihem
Bethlehem
Bithlehem

8.

Israelites
Esrielites
Isreilites

9.

San Hedrin
Sanhedron
Sanhedrin

10.

Nazireth
Nazarith
Nazareth

11.

Jerusalem
Jurusalem
Jerusalum

12.

Testamint
Testiment
Testament

Now turn to Page 26 and check your answers. If you have less than six right you need to do some more studying.

This test was prepared by girls of the 9G Class at the Church School of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, and was submitted by the Rev. Charles S. Martin

The Young People's Fellowship

Combat False Doctrines to Best Serve the Diocese, Youth Told at 15th Annual Presidents' Parley

By VICTOR GROSHON

IF youth would give their best service to the Diocese, they must combat false doctrines and become so devout in their own belief that there will be no room for such things," the Rev. Aaron Manderbach, assistant minister at the Chapel of the Mediator, told fifty-three members of the Young People's Fellowship who attended the fifteenth annual Presidents' Conference at Camp Taitt, near Quakertown, on September 9 and 10.

Mr. Manderbach, who spoke on "Youth Serves the Diocese," the theme of the conference, pointed out that the early development of the Church by the Apostles was constantly hampered until the elimination of the "religious panhandlers"—the false teachers and preachers—promulgating the false doctrines of that day.

While we are not beset by the same groups that harassed the Apostles, Mr. Manderbach said, there are other cults and cultists with their false doctrines that are just as dangerous, among them anti-Semitism.

He stressed the importance of re-valuing our lives and seeing the spiritual significance and worth of a daily religious routine; of the "inasmuch" life—caring for one's neighbor; and realization of the eternal significance of God's plan for us.

Registration began at 3 P. M. on Saturday, September 9. From the time the delegates arrived until 6 P. M. they were free to swim in the camp's new pool or join in various games, including volley ball, badminton, soft ball, croquet and deck tennis.

At 6 P. M. the Rev. George E. Condit, curate at St. Mark's Church, Frankford, led the group in Evening Prayer.

At the supper immediately following the service the delegates were welcomed to the conference by the chairman, William Todd, Jr., and to the

camp by its director, Robert Lenhard.

At 8 P. M., after a short recess, the business meeting was called to order by the Diocesan President, Gordon L. Bradley. Mr. Bradley called for reports of the treasurer and chairmen of the service, study, worship and fellowship committees.

Miss Margaret Young, service chairman, reported that plans for the coming year included a visit to Episcopal Hospital on November 18. Each Convocation would adopt a hospital or other institution as a convocation project. She announced that old clothes would be collected for the Home for the Indigent at the November Diocesan Rally and medicine bottles for St. Martha's House at the April Diocesan Rally. Included as part of Miss Young's report was a complete explanation of the Mortgage Redemption Plan by Edgar B. Speer, of Speer and Wheeler, directors of the plan.

The writer, fellowship chairman, reported that his committee had begun plans for the Diocesan Dance to be held on Saturday, December 9. The Executive Council approved the expenditure of a much larger amount of money for this dance than in previous years in order that with concerted effort and cooperation on the part of individuals it might be the most successful we have ever undertaken. The proceeds will go into our contribution to the Mortgage Redemption Plan.

The study committee, headed by William Todd, distributed to the delegates a list of the available literature for study and organization of the Y. P. F. groups.

Frank McNaul, worship chairman, asked the delegates to watch the coming issues of the Spotlight for information and plans.

The business meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P. M. at which time Mr. Manderbach made his address.

At 10:30 the entertainment committee provided music for dancing, and later refreshments were served around a campfire. In the dim light of the smoldering campfire, a most impressive preparation for Holy Communion was led by the Rev. Robert C. Hubbs, of St. Ambrose Mission, chairman of the Executive Council of the Y. P. F. At its conclusion taps were sounded, bringing the first day of the conference to an end.

The second day was begun with Holy Communion at 8 A. M. with Fr. Hubbs as celebrant and Mr. Condit assisting.

Breakfast was served at 9 o'clock and Fr. Hubbs delivered his address, "Youth Serves the Parish." At its close the delegates divided into two discussion groups led by Mr. Condit and Fr. Hubbs.

Frank McNaul talked to us about the World Youth Conference at Amsterdam, from which he recently returned.

Litany was read by Mr. Condit, after which dinner was served. At the close of dinner, Fr. Hubbs summarized the conference, after which the meeting was officially closed. However, the various facilities of the camp remained available to those who wished to spend the afternoon there.

FRIENDS PLAN TRIBUTE TO DR. GEO. A. BARTON

A testimonial dinner to the Rev. George A. Barton, D.D., LL.D., Ph.D., professor emeritus of New Testament Literature and Language, Philadelphia Divinity School, and professor emeritus of Semitic Languages, University of Pennsylvania, will be held at the Penn Athletic Club on Thursday evening, November 2.

The dinner is sponsored by the Philadelphia Oriental Club, of which Dr. Barton is a past president, the Philadelphia Clericus and other friends, and is by way of being a celebration of his eightieth birthday, although the actual anniversary does not occur until November 12.

Dr. Barton, who has had a distinguished career as scholar, teacher and author, was sixty years old when he was ordained by the late Bishop Rhinelander. He has twenty-three books to his credit, three of which have been published in the last five years. At the present time he is living in Weston, Mass.

All who wish to join in this tribute to Dr. Barton are requested to send their reservations, accompanied by a remittance of \$1.50 per plate, to the Rev. James A. Montgomery, Ph.D., chairman of the dinner.



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THE BISHOP'S 10th ANNIVERSARY

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Revolutionary War lead was taken from its windows and cast into bullets by the soldiers.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was so impressed by the dignity of St. David's on a visit in 1876 that he wrote a poem, "Old St. David's Church," one of his last literary efforts.

The missionary work that led to the founding of the parish was done by the Rev. Evan Evans, a Welshman, who first went out from Christ Church to minister to the people about 1700. In 1714, when the group promised to build a handsome stone church, John Clubb, a lay preacher, was summoned to England, ordained and sent back to Radnor. The people then fulfilled their agreement, the cornerstone of the building being laid in May, 1715. Dr. McBee has been rector of the parish since 1922.

St. Alban's, Roxborough, not so venerable as St. David's, Radnor, will celebrate its eightieth anniversary on

October 22. The mother church, St. David's, Manayunk, and a sister parish, St. Timothy's, Roxborough, will join in the celebration, which has been planned by the rector, the Rev. N. Herbert Caley. The Rev. Stanley R. West, rector of Calvary, Conshohocken, will be the preacher.

The beginning of its fiftieth year of service to the community will be celebrated this month by Advent Mission, Hatboro. A year-long observance has been planned by the Rev. Leonard J. Sachs and his vestry. There will be a parish Corporate Communion at 11 A. M. on October 15, and on October 22 the Rev. George W. Lamb, former minister in charge, will preach. At the evening service on the latter date the guest preacher will be the Very Rev. Nathanael B. Groton, rector of St. Thomas', Whitmarsh, and dean of the Norristown Convocation. A social hour in the parish house will follow the service.

Many of the former members of the congregation are expected to make a pilgrimage to Hatboro to attend these services, which will have the flavor of a homecoming. Neighboring ministers have been invited to participate. The celebration will last until June.

The work of Advent Mission was inaugurated on the Third Sunday in Advent, December 15, 1889.

The tenth anniversary of the rectorship of the Rev. Ernest C. Earp, D.D., is being celebrated in the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, on October 1, when the Rev. the Hon. Henry J. Cody, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., president of the University of Toronto, will preach. A reception in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Earp was held in the parish house on the evening of September 30.

DINNER TO THE BISHOP

The dinner in the Bishop's honor at the Penn Athletic Club at 6:30 P. M. Tuesday, October 3, is sponsored by the Church Club of Philadelphia with the cooperation of the clergy and other organizations in the Diocese.

The attendance of all members of the clergy, vestrymen and at least two representative men and women from every parish and mission in the Diocese was urged in the announcement sent out by Percival H. Granger, new president of the Church Club.

In planning the dinner program the committee wisely decided to limit not only the number of speakers but also the duration of their speeches.

Among those expected to speak are Roland S. Morris, Chancellor of the Diocese and former Ambassador to Japan; the Rev. James M. Niblo, D.D., rector of St. John's, Norristown; the Rt. Rev. Arthur R. McKinstry, D.D., Bishop of Delaware; the Rt. Rev. Frank W. Sterrett, D.D., Bishop of Bethlehem, and the Rt. Rev. William McClelland, D.D., Bishop of Easton, Md. All addresses are to be short and impromptu.

New Concrete-Tile Floor For St. George's, Richmond

The wooden floor in the chapel of St. George's Mission, Richmond, which had been ruined by termites, is being replaced with concrete and tile at a cost of approximately \$600, some \$500 of which has been raised by the "sale" of floor space at \$1 a square foot. The tearing up of the old flooring and the replacing of the pews was guaranteed by the men and boys of the congregation.

The mission now has a Boy Scout troop of 35 members who have earned their red stars; its Girl Scout troop of 25 is being trained in Red Cross work.

+ + + In Memoriam + + +

W. W. FRAZIER, JR.

A LONG career of devoted service to the Church and its institutions came to an end with the death of William West Frazier, Jr., at his home, 8318 Seminole Avenue, Chestnut Hill, on August 24. He was 74.

Mr. Frazier was born in this city August 13, 1865. His father, a captain in the Civil War, founded the Franklin Sugar Refining Company. Upon his graduation from the University of Pennsylvania in 1886 he too became connected with the firm.

For many years Mr. Frazier was active in the varied work of the Church, serving on the vestries of three parishes simultaneously. He was accounting warden of St. Peter's, Philadelphia, from 1923 to 1933 and represented that parish in the Diocesan Convention from 1925 to 1933. From 1923 to 1936 he was secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and he was treasurer of the Provincial Synod from 1911, when it was still the Men's Auxiliary, until 1934. He was a vestryman at the Church of St. James the Less from April 18, 1927, to April 20, 1933, when ill health forced him to resign from all activities. He also served on the vestry of the Church of Our Saviour, Jenkintown, from January, 1925, until June, 1933.

Mr. Frazier was a charter member of the Seamen's Church Institute and one of its organizers in 1919. At the time of his resignation in 1936 he was vice-president of the Board of Trustees. He also was chairman of the board of Christ Church Hospital and for many years a trustee of Episcopal Academy, of which he was an alumnus. When he resigned he was elected honorary trustee.

He was a member of the Sons of the Revolution, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, the St. Andrew Society and the Merchants' Fund.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Pearsall Frazier; three sons, W. W. Frazier, 3d; the Ven. Robert

P. Frazier, archdeacon of Wyoming, and Francis Frazier; and two daughters, Mrs. Frazier Scott and Miss Elizabeth P. Frazier, field secretary of the Diocesan Department of Religious Education.

Funeral services were in the Church of St. James the Less and burial was in the church yard on August 28.

MRS. F. H. HOWLAND

Mrs. Frederick H. Howland, for many years active in the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Peter's Church, Third and Pine Streets, and in the Diocesan Girls' Friendly Society, was lost in the sinking of the liner Athenia on September 1, thirteen days before her 65th birthday. At the request of her daughter, Mrs. George B. Roberts, a memorial service was held in St. Peter's on September 16. Because of the affectionate esteem in which Mrs. Howland was held by all who knew her, the church was filled with those who wished to pay a final tribute to her memory. The service was unusual in that it held no note of sadness, rather one of joy and triumph.

MRS. JOSHUA A. PEARSON

Mrs. Jean Muir Pearson, wife of the chairman of the Diocesan Department of Finance and a member of St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, died September 2 at her home in Chestnut Hill. She had been ill for three years. Besides her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Thomas S. Horrocks, of Waverly, and two grandchildren survive.

ALFRED HENRY

Alfred Henry, one of the founders of All Saints Mission, Darby, and a member of the mission's Executive Committee, died at his home in Darby on September 17. He was 80. A native of Sunbury, Mr. Henry was a retired casket manufacturer. For sixteen years he was a member of the Darby School Board. His wife and two daughters survive.

MRS. H. C. BENDERE

Mrs. Elizabeth Baker Bendere, wife of Henry Clay Bendere, for many years active in the Church Woman's Club, died at her home, 5221 Pine Street, on August 27. She was 82. She was a descendant of an early Bucks County family and a member of St. James' Church, Bristol. Her husband, a former Bucks County court official; a son, Edward C. Bendere, Philadelphia banker and a director of the Church Foundation, and a daughter, Mrs. Raymond L. Henderson, of Hagerstown, Md., survive her.

DR. S. L. WEINTRAUB

Dr. S. Louise Weintraub, life-long member of Holy Trinity Church and a former medical missionary in Damascus, Syria, died September 10 at the home of a sister in Avalon, N. J., at the age of 78. She was the first woman physician to work in the Philadelphia County Prison. She practiced medicine in this city for more than fifty years.

MRS. THOMAS McCRAE

Mrs. Thomas McCrae, widow of Dr. Thomas McCrae, former head of Jefferson Medical College, and fourth vice-president of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary in charge of the Supply Department, died suddenly September 12 on a train enroute here from Boston. Mrs. McCrae had been visiting her family in Canada. Funeral services were held in Toronto with burial at Dundas, Ontario, her birthplace.

October Extension Call For Messiah Rectory Fund

The October, 1939, Church Extension Call, which has just been sent out, has been designated for the benefit of the rectory building fund of the Church of the Messiah, Roosevelt Boulevard and Large Streets. The parish, which is a merger of the old Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond, and St. Matthew's Mission, has made tremendous strides toward becoming self-supporting under the leadership of its rector, the Rev. William O. Roome, Jr., who now lives some distance from the Church in a house for which the Diocese pays a \$600 yearly rental.

FALL MEETINGS OF THE CONVOCATIONS

North Philadelphia.....	October 10.....	St. George, Venango
Germantown.....	October 17.....	St. Stephen, Bridesburg
West Philadelphia.....	October 19.....	St. George, West Philadelphia
Chester.....	October 24.....	St. James, Prospect Park
South Philadelphia.....	October 24.....	St. Peter, Philadelphia
Norristown.....	October 26.....	Calvary, Conshohocken

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER-NOVEMBER

***October 1—17th Sunday after Trinity**
Morning—Lansdale, Holy Trinity
Afternoon—Quakertown, Emmanuel
Evening—Philadelphia, Crucifixion, Col-
ored Congregations

October 5—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, Advent

October 8—18th Sunday after Trinity
Morning—Philadelphia, All Saints, Tor-
resdale
Afternoon—Yardley, St. Andrew
Evening—Philadelphia, St. John Free

October 12—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Paul, North
Penn

October 15—19th Sunday after Trinity
Morning—Meadowbrook, Huntingdon Val-
ley Chapel
Afternoon—Gulph, Trinity
Evening—Brookline, St. Faith

October 22—20th Sunday after Trinity
Morning—Downingtown, St. James
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Stephen,
Wissahickon; Philadelphia, St. Mary,
Manayunk
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Alban, Rox-
borough

October 25—Wednesday
Evening—Fallsington, All Saints

October 29—21st Sunday after Trinity
Morning—Phoenixville, St. Peter
Afternoon—Royersford, Epiphany
Evening—Pottstown, Christ

November 1—All Saints Day (Wednesday)
Evening—Philadelphia, Holy Redeemer

November 2—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Mary Pro-
Cathedral

November 5—22d Sunday after Trinity
Country Centre Missions

November 8—Wednesday
Evening—Ambler, Trinity

November 9—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. David, Man-
ayunk

November 12—23d Sunday after Trinity
Morning—Norristown, St. John
Afternoon—Norristown, St. Augustine
Evening—Conshohocken, Calvary

November 15—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, House of Prayer

November 16—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Martin, Oak
Lane

November 19—24th Sunday after Trinity
Morning—Philadelphia, Calvary, Ger-
mantown
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Barnabas,
Germantown
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Barnabas,
Kensington

November 22—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, Emmanuel, Ken-
sington

November 23—Thursday (Thanksgiving)
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Ambrose

November 26—Sunday next before Advent
Morning—Philadelphia, Emmanuel,
Holmesburg
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. John Bap-
tist, Germantown
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Jude and The
Nativity

November 30—Thursday
Morning—Philadelphia, Incarnation

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CLERGY CHANGES

REV. W. J. TUHEY—Resigned as curate,
Good Shepherd, Rosemont, as of Septem-
ber 30.

REV. H. DIMMOCK GASSON—Resigned
as assistant minister at St. Mary, Hamil-
ton Village, and University of Pennsyl-
vania as of September 11.

REV. FRANCIS ALAN PARSONS—Ap-
pointed Superintendent and Chaplain,
Church Home for Children, 58th Street
and Baltimore Avenue.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY

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Junior branch at this service should be our goal.

Juniors are reminded of the interesting new literature on the United Thank Offering—its purpose and history—now available in the Auxiliary office at Church House.

THE MAIL-BOX

Junior Auxiliarites wishing to keep in touch with missionaries from our own Diocese and former members of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary now in the domestic field, may use this column—your letters will be appreciated and the replies will be very educational.

Miss Nellie Walton, Dyke, Va.

Deaconess Marion Brown, St. Michael's Mission, Ethete, Wyo.

BOOK LIST

For study of the mission topic, *Christ and the World Community*.

Through Tragedy to Triumph, by Basil Mathews.

Women and the Way, a Symposium of Twelve Outstanding Women.

Homeland Harvest, A. H. Limouze.

Comrades Round the World, S. Franklin Mock.

CLERGY RESUME MONDAY MEETINGS

The Autumn season of the Clerical Brotherhood opened at Church House on Monday, September 18, with the Rev. John K. Shryock, Ph.D., rector of Grace Church, Philadelphia, as the speaker. His subject was "The Power to Overpower." Dr. Armand J. Gerson, Associate Superintendent of Philadelphia Public Schools, was scheduled to address the gathering on September 25.

Only three speakers have been engaged for October meetings thus far. The schedule follows:

Oct. 2—Harold A. West, Librarian, Mercantile Library. "The Year in Books." Return engagement.

Oct. 9—Rev. Franklin T. Osborn. "Reports from the Field." Mr. Osborn comes fresh from the vast mission field of Southern Brazil, where he is rector of St. Paul's Church, Rio de Janeiro.

Oct. 16—Observance of 150th Anniversary of the ratification of the American Prayer Book. A detailed program of this meeting is not yet available.

The Rev. J. Wesley Twelves, charged with the duty of finding interesting speakers and other program material for the Brotherhood meetings, promises an entertaining and informative series for the season, and hopes for an encouraging increase in attendance at these sessions.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

October 3

10:30 A.M.—Corporate Communion and Quiet Day for Woman's Auxiliary, St. James's Church, 22nd and Walnut Streets. The Rev. Benjamin Priest conducting.

October 4

10:30 A.M.—Committee on Colored Missions, Church House. Speaker, Rev. Cyril E. Bentley, Associate Director, American Church Institute for Negroes.

10:30 A.M.—Diocesan Committee, Holy Trinity Parish House, 217 South 20th Street. Address, "Constructive Experiments in Community Improvements," Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather, Executive Director, Crime Prevention Association.

12:30 P.M.—Luncheon, officers of W. A. Committees, Church House Annex.

2 P.M.—Christian Social Relations Committee, Church House. Address, "The Church Cooperatives in Kensington," Rev. William Sharp, Rector, St. Paul's, Aramingo.

October 6

8:30 A.M. to 3 P.M.—Mother's Union Quiet Day, St. Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Avenue. Make reservations for 9:15 breakfast or 12:45 luncheon with Sister-in-charge. VICtor 4612.

October 10

10 A.M.—Meeting, Executive Board, Pennsylvania Branch, Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council, Church House.

2:30 P.M.—Mother's Union Executive Meeting, Church House.

October 11

10:30 A.M.—Domestic Committee, Church House.

12:30 P.M.—Luncheon for officers of the W. A. Committees, Church House Annex.

7:45 P.M.—Junior Woman's Auxiliary, Church House. Address by Rev. F. P. Houghton, D.D., Executive Secretary of the Diocese.

October 18

10:30 A.M.—Foreign Committee, Church House.

October 24

12:30 P.M.—Luncheon for officers of W. A. Committees, Church House Annex.

2:30 P.M.—Mother's Union open meeting, Church House.

October 25

10:30 A.M.—Indian's Hope Association, Church House.

12:30 P.M.—Luncheon for officers of W. A. Committees, Church House Annex.

2 P.M.—Elizabeth Price Martin League for Service, Church House.

8 P.M.—Evening Committee, Woman's Auxiliary, Church House.

October 27

10:30 A.M.—Church Periodical Club, Church House.

October 30

6 P.M.—Opening Dinner, Educational Conference of the Woman's Auxiliary, Penn Athletic Club.

October 31

Educational Conference,
Holy Trinity Parish House

10:00 A.M.—President's Meeting, Mrs. Edward Ingersoll.

11:30 A.M.—U. T. O., Mrs. Francis R. Packard.

12:30 P.M.—Noonday Service.

2:00 P.M.—Educational Secretaries' Meeting, Mrs. John A. Slemons and Mrs. H. Norman Perkins.

8:00 P.M.—J. W. A. and Business and Professional Women.

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THE ANSWERS

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in the test on Page 21.

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| 2. Pontius Pilate | 8. Israelites |
| 3. disciple | 9. Sanhedrin |
| 4. Galilee | 10. Nazareth |
| 5. Matthew | 11. Jerusalem |
| 6. Palestine | 12. Testament |

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The conferring of an associate degree upon Alfred B. Montgomery, Jr., organist and choirmaster of St. George's Church, West Philadelphia, by Trinity College of Music, London, has been announced.

Mr. Montgomery, a well known teacher of piano and organ, formerly was organist and choirmaster at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Rosemont. He received his early musical training in England and last year returned there to take a special course at the College of St. Nicholas, Chislehurst. He has been heard in frequent recitals in and around Philadelphia. At St. George's he has a young people's choir in addition to the regular choir of men and boys.

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RECENT ARRIVALS

The clerical families of Christ Church and St. Peter's report "a good increase." The birth of a son, Christopher Rogers, on July 25, was recently announced by the Rev. E. Felix Kloman, rector of Christ Church, and Mrs. Kloman. He is their third child. The arrival of a daughter, Phyllis Ann, on September 5, is announced by the Rev. and Mrs. Charles W. Wilding. Mr. Wilding is curate at St. Peter's.

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Woman's Aid to W. Phila. Convocation Meets Oct. 19

The Autumn meeting of the Woman's Aid to the Convocation of West Philadelphia will be held at St. George's Church, 61st Street and Hazel Avenue,

on Thursday, October 19, at 4:30 P. M. The women of the North Philadelphia Convocation will convene at St. George's Mission, Venango and Edgmont Streets, at 3:30 P. M., Tuesday, October 10.

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"HERE'S A HOW-DE-DO!"

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cal matters press for attention. Needless to say, it is a most disheartening experience for the choirmaster to have spent many precious minutes in the careful preparation of certain hymns, only to be told just before the Sunday service begins that the rector wishes to make substitutions. No such substitution, however appropriate to the moment, is worth risking an upset in the *esprit de corps* of the choir. However, there are occasions when just the right hymn suggests itself. If the relationship between rector and choirmaster is what it should be, the choirmaster should stand ready to acquiesce cordially. If he feels that the proposed change would be a real risk, let him say so with tact. The rector wants a perfect service, and so does the choirmaster—let such emergencies be met in a spirit of consultation.

Unfortunately, it takes longer to train a choir to sing a good anthem than it takes a clergyman to write a good sermon. Otherwise, one of the chief problems of the choirmaster would be easy of solution. Nothing would be more gratifying than to have the anthem follow the sermon with such a happy association of ideas that the choir's singing would press home the lesson taught by the preacher. As desirable as this might be, it cannot be attained unless the preacher is willing to plan his sermons for many weeks ahead, and keep the choirmaster informed of these plans.

Anyone who essays to map out the work of a choir for a season, knows

what sticky questions arise in the course of the planning. The more difficult numbers need many weeks of rehearsing; the easy numbers need less. Whatever new numbers are to be added to the repertoire must be distributed throughout the season in such a way that they stimulate interest just when things might become a little stale. The special seasons of Christmastide, Lent, Eastertide, must have their special preparation. If a cantata is to be sung, it must be introduced into already full rehearsals by easy steps, so that the weekly work is not neglected.

Due allowance must be made for illnesses and absences by having always in readiness numbers that may be substituted. Such numbers, if they be anthems, must suit the season. If the choir policy is not opposed to solos, these must be distributed tactfully among the several voices competent to sing them. A Sunday or two in succession, featuring the tenor soloist, for instance, might cause the soprano soloist to wonder what she had done to make the choirmaster show such discrimination! It will be easily understood, therefore, why anthems and sermons cannot be made to have unity unless those in charge are willing to go to great lengths to bring this about.

The alternative—and it is not a poor one—is to make the anthems reflect the Prayer Book teaching for the day. The Collect, Epistle, Gospel, and Lectionary provide the motives. If the rector authorizes the choirmaster to follow

this plan, both men will be saved much trouble.

These matters, and many others, may be settled to the entire satisfaction of everybody, unless someone is stubborn—and stubbornness is not a virtue. So much is said about temperamental musicians, and so many musicians are excused for various faults of disposition by passing them off as temperament that it behooves the church musician to be on his guard lest he, too, gain the unenviable reputation of being in that curious class.

Choirmasters, get both feet firmly on the ground; fight for high standards in Church music, using honorable weapons; serve your Church unselfishly; be a loyal friend to your rector—in his administration of parish affairs he has enough headaches; don't you be one!

ERRATA

Through an error in the annual report of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Aronimink, submitted by the Rev. Albert E. Clattenburg, D.D., for publication in the Diocesan Journal for 1939, the parish payment on its 1938 Missionary Quota appears in the Journal as \$245.70, instead of \$541.45, the amount actually paid. The correct amount had previously been published in the report of Quota payments in THE CHURCH NEWS.

The title, Locum Tenens, is erroneously given to the Rev. David C. Colony. He became rector of St. Luke's, Kensington, on October 1, 1938.

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THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

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manship of Mrs. William W. Cardwell, for their continued enthusiasm in carrying on this work, summer after summer. Mrs. Cardwell as House Mother, with Miss Mary Whitman, assistant, and Miss Betty Derr, secretary, sets a high standard of hospitality and welcome to all who come.

IN these tragic days which have come upon the world, every agency stimulating Christian living among young people has a new responsibility and a more challenging task. So, it has not been out of place, perhaps, to recall these happy, care-free days of the Summer just past. Neither, this correspondent hopes, will it be taking too much space to emphasize again the breadth and strength of this old, international society.

An American visitor to the historic city of Kilkenny, Ireland, last August was wandering around the ancient Cathedral of St. Canice, many times destroyed by warfare and in the last century tenderly restored. Across the chancel steps lay soft hand-hooked rugs. "The Girls' Friendly Society made those," said the boy guide, and he was interested to know that his visitor was a national officer of the American G. F. S.

Again, your reporter has seen recently copies of *The Friendly Girl*, published in the diocese of Victoria, Australia. The contents are not so different from our own G. F. S. papers—branch, diocesan and provincial doings, programs, etc.; but in the issue for June, 1939, the leading article was titled *Conscription?* It discussed that

subject in the light of European happenings even then.

A member of the noted Branch at Sharon, Pa., has developed as a hobby an exchange of letters with G. F. S. girls in many distant places—Europe, Australia, South America, and remote corners of the United States. The letters are a liberal education in the interests, the fellowship, the faith which firmly unite the society. Here is an excerpt from a letter written in Canterbury, England, last January: "Did I tell you we are having ten-minute intercession services for Peace now going on in our Church of St. Margaret's? The services are conducted in turn by Church of England and Free Church ministers. It seems so

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nice to join together like that. My sister and I are going to a meeting this evening to hear a report and criticisms on the 'Black-out' practices we had in Canterbury the other day. I think I may have told you that we are Air Raid Wardens. I am not 'panicky' at present, but we feel we must be organized a bit—like having boat drill and trying on life belts on board ship." Simple words which make the long agonizing war of nerves real.

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Christmas cards will again be sold by the G. F. S. under the experienced chairmanship of Mrs. Alfred Rigling, assisted by Mrs. Florence Thornton. A large assortment of beautiful and inexpensive cards is now ready for inspection, with emphasis on the religious type. Mrs. Rigling is always in the Church House (Room 42) on Wednesdays from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M., and can be reached at other times by letter or phone at her home, 5811 Cobbs Creek Parkway, telephone Granite 6494. Attractive financial arrangements can be made for selling these cards in quantity at bazaars or other parish meetings, by applying to the chairman.

CONVOCATION TO SEE ALTAR ART PRESENTED

When the North Philadelphia Convocation holds its Fall meeting on Tuesday, October 10, at St. George's Mission, Venango and Edgmont Streets, a beautifully executed triptych for the children's altar in the Church School will be presented by E. Edgerton Proffitt, lay reader in charge. The presentation will take place at the devotional service, when it will be dedicated by the Very Rev. Percy R. Stockman, dean of the Convocation. The triptych is the work of G. A. Scarinci.

The Convocation will open with a business session at 4:30 P. M., to be followed by devotions and a supper at 6:30 at which the speakers will be the Bishop and the Rev. Franklin T. Osborn, of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Dean Stockman will preside.

Our Own Church Children

Of the many homeless children brought under the protective wing of the courts in the five counties of this Diocese a goodly proportion are baptized members of our own household of faith. They belong to us; and the Church in her wise charity has assumed responsibility for their care, establishing for them the foster-home department of the City Mission.

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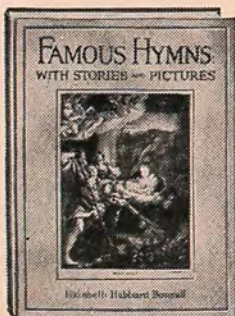
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The girl grew up, married and left the crowded city to live in the country for which she had longed all her life. Her new home was a small shack with only two rooms and a leaking roof. The neighbors were far away. The winters were severe and the work hard. She learned early in her married life that her husband, who was of another denomination, would not permit her to attend church.

Her only comfort was her two small girls who were brought into the nearest Episcopal Church by her childhood Sunday School teacher. There the two babies had been baptized.

When the two girls were left motherless, their father became embittered and strange, and they were confused, not knowing where to turn for the love and comfort they needed.

One day they were visited by a member of our Church's League for the Isolated. They were made to feel that there were people in the world who really cared for them. Books and letters were sent to them, and they began to look eagerly for mail.

When the Church School by Mail was begun these girls were among its first pupils. When a member of the League visited them, she found the younger girl had run away, unable to stand the loneliness and drudgery at home, only to return after finding there was no place for her.

The Church School by Mail lessons were sent to them regularly, with personal letters of love and cheer. They were faithful in their study, and the letters they wrote became more cheerful and confident.

When the older girl married and moved away, the younger sister, although only 15 years old, managed everything contentedly, working hard from morning to night. Letters were sent to her regularly, and her responses were happy, even humorous. Her father has since re-married, which has lightened her duties and given her companionship. Today she is one of the best students in the Church School by Mail, which she has learned to love. Her sister, too, though married, continues her religious education in this way.



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A Country Fair will be held Thursday, October 5, at Holy Trinity Parish House, 217 South 20th Street, by the

Woman's Auxiliary of the Chapel of the Hard of Hearing. The fair will be open from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M. Provisions have been made for luncheon and dinner to be served to patrons. Tables bearing a wide variety of

merchandise for sale will be in the charge of Mrs. Emily E. Weber, Miss Lillian Mumford, Miss Bertha McCormack, Mrs. Henry Herbert, Mrs. Margaret C. Jones, the Rev. Gustav C. Meckling, vicar of the Chapel; Mrs. Mae Keller, Mrs. Mary Ager Hudson, James A. Parker and Theodore A. Bechtel, who will exhibit a U. S. Department of Agriculture motion picture based on the life of the honey bee.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mayer will have charge of the dinner, and the luncheon will be Mrs. Ernest A. Parnell's responsibility. The whole affair is under the chairmanship of Mrs. Theodore A. Bechtel, with Mrs. Frank Jones as vice-chairman.

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Church Workers Among Negroes To Confer Here October 4 to 6

The 14th provincial conference of Church workers among colored people in the Third Province will meet October 4 to 6 at the Church of the Crucifixion, where the Rev. Robert H. Tabb, D.D., is rector. The colored churches of the Diocese will be hosts to representatives from eighty parishes and missions in the province and thirty-nine clergymen who are active in the work. Twelve colored choirs will sing at each evening service. The Ven. B. W. Harris, archdeacon in charge of colored work in the Diocese of Southern Virginia, will preach the opening conference sermon. The Rev. Robert W. Bagnall, LL.D., rector of St. Thomas', West Philadelphia, is president of the conference; the Rev. Arthur C. Moore, vicar of St. Cyprian's and St. Monica's Missions, is secretary.

St. John's Mission Needs Furniture for New Chapel

When its new chapel is completed, St. John's Mission, West Oak Lane, will need pews and other furnishings to properly fit it for use. Friends of the mission are requested to aid in finding such articles and to communicate with Robert M. Cridland, 1972 Dallas Road, or with the priest in charge, the Rev. Albert F. Fischer, Jr., 7497 Tulpehocken Street.

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The following resolution was adopted by the vestry after Dr. Morris resigned:

WHEREAS, the members of the Congregation and Vestry of Calvary Church in Germantown have for more than ten years been privileged to have as their rector and President of the Vestry, Lewis Gouverneur Morris, D. D., and

WHEREAS during those more than ten years Lewis Gouverneur Morris has given unstintingly of himself, his spiritual leadership and his many other talents to Calvary Church and the lives of its people, and

WHEREAS, although the troublous influence of the world wide depression was felt throughout that period, the burdensome debts of the Parish were completely paid off, the numbers of its communicants steadily increased and the Church without interruption continued in its development as a strong Christian influence for good in the community, and

WHEREAS, at a stated meeting of the Vestry held on Wednesday, May 10, 1939, the Reverend Lewis Gouverneur Morris presented his resignation as Rector of Calvary Church in Germantown, said resignation to take effect not later than December 31, 1939, and,

WHEREAS, the Vestry received the said resignation with profound regret accompanied by their utmost respect and devotion for the Rector, and with full understanding of the reasons which prompted its presentation, and

WHEREAS, it is the solemn duty of this Vestry to take formal action upon the said resignation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Vestry of Calvary Church does hereby reluctantly accept the resignation of its beloved Rector, Dr. Lewis Gouverneur Morris, and does at the same time assure him of the deep love, affectionate respect and profound gratitude of this Vestry and the whole Congregation, all of whom have enjoyed the privilege of his rectorship, and be it further

RESOLVED that this acceptance of the said resignation shall become effective as of December 31, 1939, or at such earlier time as the Rector shall elect, and be it further

RESOLVED that during the period between July 1, 1939, and December 31, 1939, the Rector shall be, and he is hereby, relieved of all and every duty and responsibility of his rectorship, excepting those duties and responsibilities which he may desire to carry until the selection of his successor, and be it further

RESOLVED that in recognition of the high place which Dr. Lewis Gouverneur Morris holds in the hearts of his Congregation, this Vestry hereby invites him to become Rector Emeritus of Calvary Church in Germantown upon his retirement as Rector, it being understood and agreed that this election as Rector Emeritus implies no duties, responsibilities, or other Parish obligations, and be it further

RESOLVED that these Preambles and Resolutions be appropriately inscribed and presented to Dr. Lewis Gouverneur Morris in testimony of the affectionate respect of the people of Calvary Church who join in extending their love and best wishes for many years of happiness with the Blessings of Almighty God.

The foregoing Preambles and Resolutions were unanimously adopted at a special meeting of the Vestry held on Wednesday, May 24, 1939, and are hereby presented to Dr. Lewis Gouverneur Morris, duly sealed with the seal of the Corporation and certified to by the undersigned.

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THE CHURCH AND THE JEWS

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Jew when he embraces the religion taught by One his race once rejected.

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We listened as he told story after story of Jesus to the younger boys in that Wednesday evening class. He gave them a realism we had missed in other recitals. And we marveled at the eagerness of his class as they listened

from the edges of their chairs. When the period ended, the youngsters begged for more stories, to have favorites retold.

William hopes that some day he may win his parents over. He is saddened more by their inability to share his joy than by their disowning him.

Miss Ormsby told us another story that reveals how much Christianity means to the Jewish convert.

"This young man, from a nearby city, was visited in a hospital here by a group of Christian women, who gave him a Testament to read," said Miss Ormsby. "He became so interested that he asked for more literature. Some of the women talked to him and

before he left the hospital he expressed a wish to be baptized.

"He came to the Hebrew Christian Synagogue for baptism, and then returned to his home to tell his wife of his wonderful experience. When she realized that he had become a Christian, she drove him from home and refused to let him see his children.

"He returned to Philadelphia—it was in the Winter—and, not knowing he could have had one for the asking, pawned his overcoat to buy a Bible. The last time I heard from him he was hitch-hiking to Chicago to enter Moody Bible Institute."

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